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I. INTRODUCTION

Recent years have seen a great shift in emphasis in physics research as the total dominance of quantum mechanical studies has yielded somewhat to the rapidly growing group of disciplines commonly grouped under the "nonlinear physics" title. What is meant is more specific -- the study of classical, nonlinear, dynamical systems. Within this group of disciplines is the field of soliton research, which boomed during the last three decades. This work has yielded practical results in several areas, most notably in the development of fifth generation fiber optic communications systems which will transmit soliton pulses, greatly increasing the permissible time-bandwidth product of a given system (Hasegawa and Tappert [1973]). Solitons, which are spatially localized nonlinear wave packets so named because they have many particle-like properties, have become a key part of the current state of the art in cosmology, particle physics, condensed matter physics, and hydrodynamics, to name but a few.

Most of the soliton work performed to date has focused on continuous systems, such as fluids. Of the little work done on discrete solitons, much has been concentrated in the study of cellular automata. Recently, though, a group of researchers at UCLA has been conducting research into the characteristics of solitons in discrete lattices. Experimental work has been done by Denardo [1990] on a simple realization of a nonlinear lattice -- a one dimensional lattice of linearly

coupled pendula. He verified the existence of two of four predicted soliton types in the cutoff modes of the lattice (the cutoff modes are those modes where all of the elements are either in or out of phase with both of their nearest neighbors). Additionally, he studied the behavior of these solitons as he varied the frequency and amplitude of the parametric drive system he used to overcome the effects of damping.

The purpose of the research presented here was initially to provide numerical verification of Denardo's experimental results, in order to check the degree to which his results actually corresponded to theoretical predictions. It should be noted that his results were largely qualitative, since the coupling and damping parameters of the lattice he used could not be measured directly. A simple computer model of the pendulum lattice was developed, tested, and then used to quickly and accurately verify the results of Denardo. In fact, the solitons in the pendulum lattice were found to be in excellent agreement with the theoretical predictions, which were based on a weakly nonlinear approximation. This agreement persisted even outside the limits of the approximations used in developing the theory, suggesting that these soliton structures are very robust.

The linear lattice theory basics required for this work are presented in Chapter II, along with a discussion of the theory of parametric drive and its effect on the stability of lattice dynamics. Chapter III presents the theoretical development upon which Denardo's work was based. Further, the results of a study of the stability of various conditions of the cutoff modes is presented. This study was performed in

order to determine the effect that discreteness had on the validity of the well known stability theory of Benjamin and Feir [1966], which was developed for continuous systems. Finally, the numerical results which validated Denardo's experimental work are presented. The existence of the third (which was seen experimentally by Larraza et al. [1990] in a water channel experiment), and fourth predicted solitons, and of one previously unsuspected soliton were also shown.

Having quickly achieved the initial goal of validating Denardo's work, we went on to study modes intermediate in frequency and wavelength between the two cutoff modes. These results, along with a brief sketch of a theoretical description which is still being developed, are presented in Chapter IV. Many different types of soliton-like structures were identified and their properties studied in this phase of our work, leading us to conclude that, in particular, kink solitons (described in Chapter III) appeared to be ubiquitous, existing in every mode we checked. Moving beyond simple soliton-like structures, the existence of domain walls was shown for many different combinations of modes (these domain walls are essentially localized boundaries between two different stable modes).

Finally, in order to extend the results obtained in the various lattice modes, work is presented in Chapter V on the effects of nonuniformities in the lattice on the stability and motion of the many different solitons and soliton-like structures. Preliminary results from the study of a two-dimensional model of the same type of lattice, and from the study of a one dimensional model of the Toda lattice are also presented in Chapter V. The Toda lattice is a lattice in which the coupling between

nearest neighbors is exponential, instead of linear. It has been much studied in the two decades since it was first formulated because it has many attractive mathematical properties (not the least of which is that it is completely integrable).

By the time the work presented here was complete, the initial objective had been broadened to include not only a study of nonlinear dynamics, but also a demonstration of the value of highly interactive computer modeling of real physical systems. The numerical method used, which was quite simple, is presented in Appendix A; a short manual on using the program and the actual code are presented in Appendices B and C. This program, in its final form, was designed to provide a fast, accurate model of physical systems which are composed of oscillating elements (such as lattices), which was highly interactive and easily modified. The fact that the program is highly interactive makes it possible for the researcher to go far beyond the traditional method of numerical analysis wherein a set of parameters is put into the model and the output is then examined. An analogy can be drawn between the traditional numerical analysis methods, which act essentially as filters that alter the input in a definite way. The model used in this thesis is analogous to the newer adaptive filters, which respond to the dynamics of the system in a way that increases the utility of the effort. The adaptive features are provided by the user via keyboard commands which are entered as the model is running and which take immediate effect.

The contribution which it is hoped this thesis will make is, therefore, twofold. First, many interesting new results were obtained pertaining to solitons in nonlinear

lattices. These results have served as a launching point for several interesting theoretical developments achieved in our group and at UCLA, and as a means of both verifying and directing the work of the experimentalists (whether verification or direction occurred depended on who got there first). Second, a simple computer model was developed which is highly interactive, somewhat novel in the level of freedom it gives the researcher, and easily modified to model other physical systems. This program is already being used by several additional students, each of whom is making his or her own minor modifications. It is hoped that the program will in the end have served as a nucleation site for continuing innovation in interactive physics modeling.

II. PRELIMINARY: THE LINEAR LATTICE

A. THE SIMPLE MASS-SPRING LATTICE PROBLEM.

As a starting point in the study of solitons in nonlinear lattices, we consider first the behavior of linearized lattices in this chapter, starting with a simple lattice of point masses connected by massless springs. Except in Chapter V, this and all other lattices will be taken to consist of identical masses and stiffnesses. Also, throughout this thesis periodic boundary conditions are used, such that the last element is coupled both to the next to last element and to the first element; this is essentially a finite ring lattice, except that all effects of curvature of such a ring lattice are ignored. If we restrict our analysis to longitudinal motion, the exact equation of motion for the n th element is

$$\ddot{x}_n = -\frac{s}{m}(x_{n+1} + x_{n-1} - 2x_n), \quad \text{II.A.1}$$

with s and m being the stiffness of the springs and mass of the point masses, respectively, and with x being the deviation from equilibrium for each element. Letting

$$\omega_0 = \sqrt{\frac{s}{m}}, \quad \text{II.A.2}$$

we get

$$\ddot{x}_n - \omega_0^2 (x_{n+1} + x_{n-1} - 2x_n) = 0. \quad \text{II.A.3}$$

We assume an oscillatory solution of the form

$$x_n = A e^{j(kna - \omega t)}, \quad \text{II.A.4}$$

where na is the spatial variable, and a is the spacing of lattice elements. Substitution of this solution into (II.A.3) and solving for frequency yields

$$\omega = 2\omega_0 \sin\left(\frac{ka}{2}\right), \quad \text{II.A.5}$$

which is the dispersion relationship for this linear lattice. For a finite and discrete lattice, k is quantized. Thus, as seen in Figure II.1, the dispersion relation does not give a continuous curve such as the one described by II.A.5.

It is often useful to work with continuum limit approximations of discrete systems, so we will derive here the continuum approximation of the linear ring lattice. If we let $y = na$ be the spatial variable, and we take the limit of (II.A.3) as

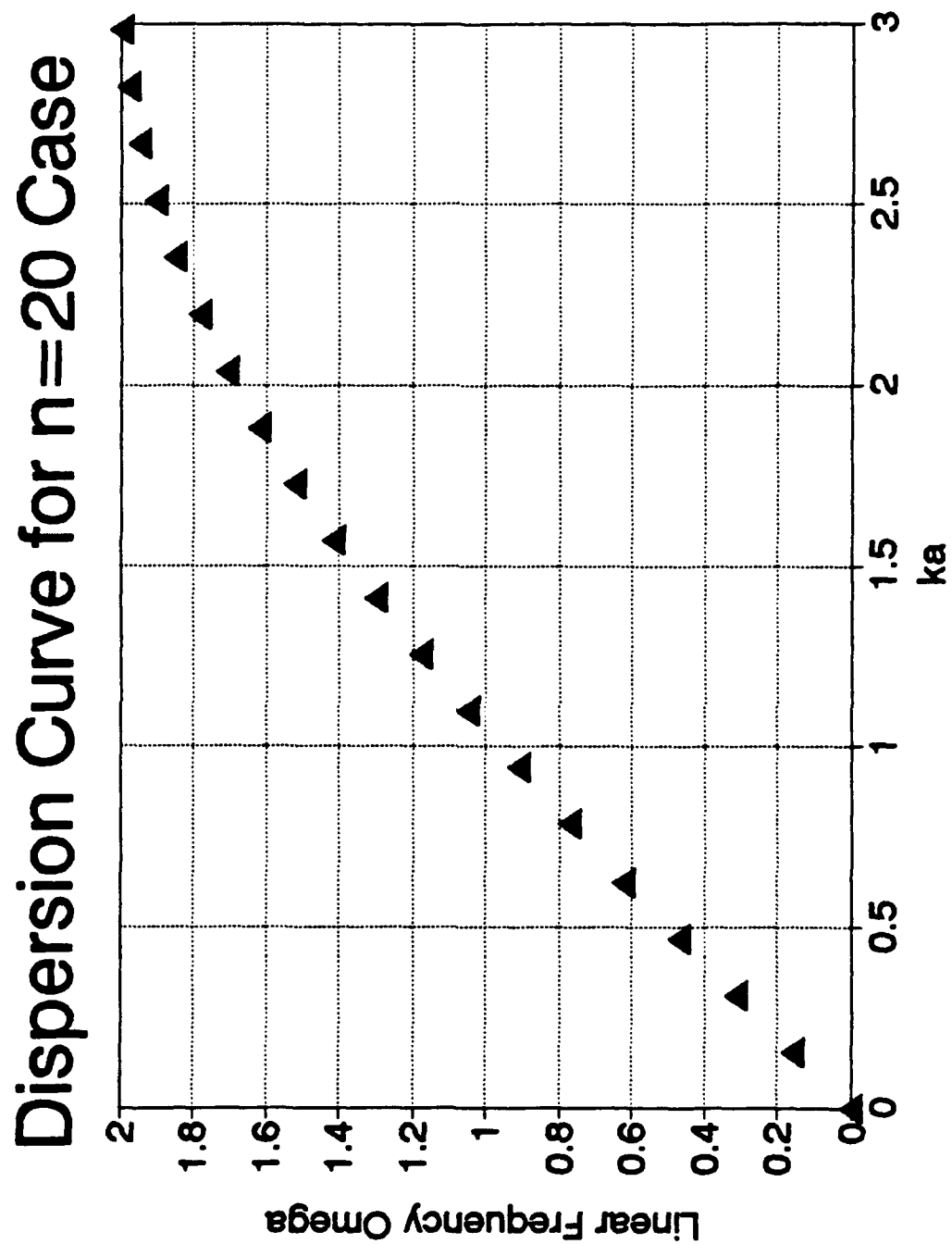


Figure II.1. Dispersion relation for a finite ring mass-spring lattice.

the spacing of the lattice goes to zero (and the mass and stiffness go to zero and infinity, respectively), we get

$$\lim_{a \rightarrow 0} \frac{(x_{n+1} + x_{n-1} - 2x_n)}{a^2} = \frac{\partial^2 x_n}{\partial y^2}. \quad \text{II.A.6}$$

Thus one can express the equation of motion of the linear ring lattice in the continuum limit by a simple wave equation:

$$\frac{\partial^2 x_n}{\partial y^2} - \frac{1}{c^2} \frac{\partial^2 x_n}{\partial t^2} = 0, \quad \text{II.A.7}$$

where

$$c = a \sqrt{\frac{s}{m}}. \quad \text{II.A.8}$$

Finally, it is worthwhile working backwards for a moment to obtain a result that is interesting now and useful later. If we start by letting y be a continuous rather than a discrete variable, and consider the value of $x(y)$ at two points spaced a small distance a to the left and right of a particular point y_0 , we can express them as Taylor series expansions:

$$x(y_0-a)-x(y_0)+a\left(\frac{dx}{dy}\right)_{y=y_0}+\frac{a^2}{2}\left(\frac{d^2x}{dy^2}\right)_{y=y_0}+...., \quad \text{II.A.9}$$

and

$$x(y_0+a)-x(y_0)-a\left(\frac{dx}{dy}\right)_{y=y_0}+\frac{a^2}{2}\left(\frac{d^2x}{dy^2}\right)_{y=y_0}+.... \quad \text{II.A.10}$$

Now, adding these together and subtracting twice $x(y_0)$ gives us an expression identical to the right hand side of (II.A.1), with the exception of the multiplicative constant s , if we ignore the higher order even derivatives. What does this mean physically? If we start with a continuous system and discretize it as indicated, we get the same equation of motion as our discrete lattice, if we assume only nearest neighbors interact. Assuming infinite interaction length, for example, means that to use (II.A.1) to approximate a continuous system entails an error of order 4 in the step size a and in derivatives of x ; for harmonic systems, the error is of order $(ka)^4$, which is small when the second derivative is finite. However, when the second derivative vanishes, these errors can be significant.

B. THE PENDULUM LATTICE AND ITS GENERALIZATION.

One of the simplest experimental realizations of a nonlinear lattice is a lattice of coupled pendula. Such a lattice was used by Denardo [1990] to study solitons in discrete lattices. An idealization of the lattice he used is shown in Figure II.2. In the actual lattice, coupling was accomplished by tying knots between the V shaped

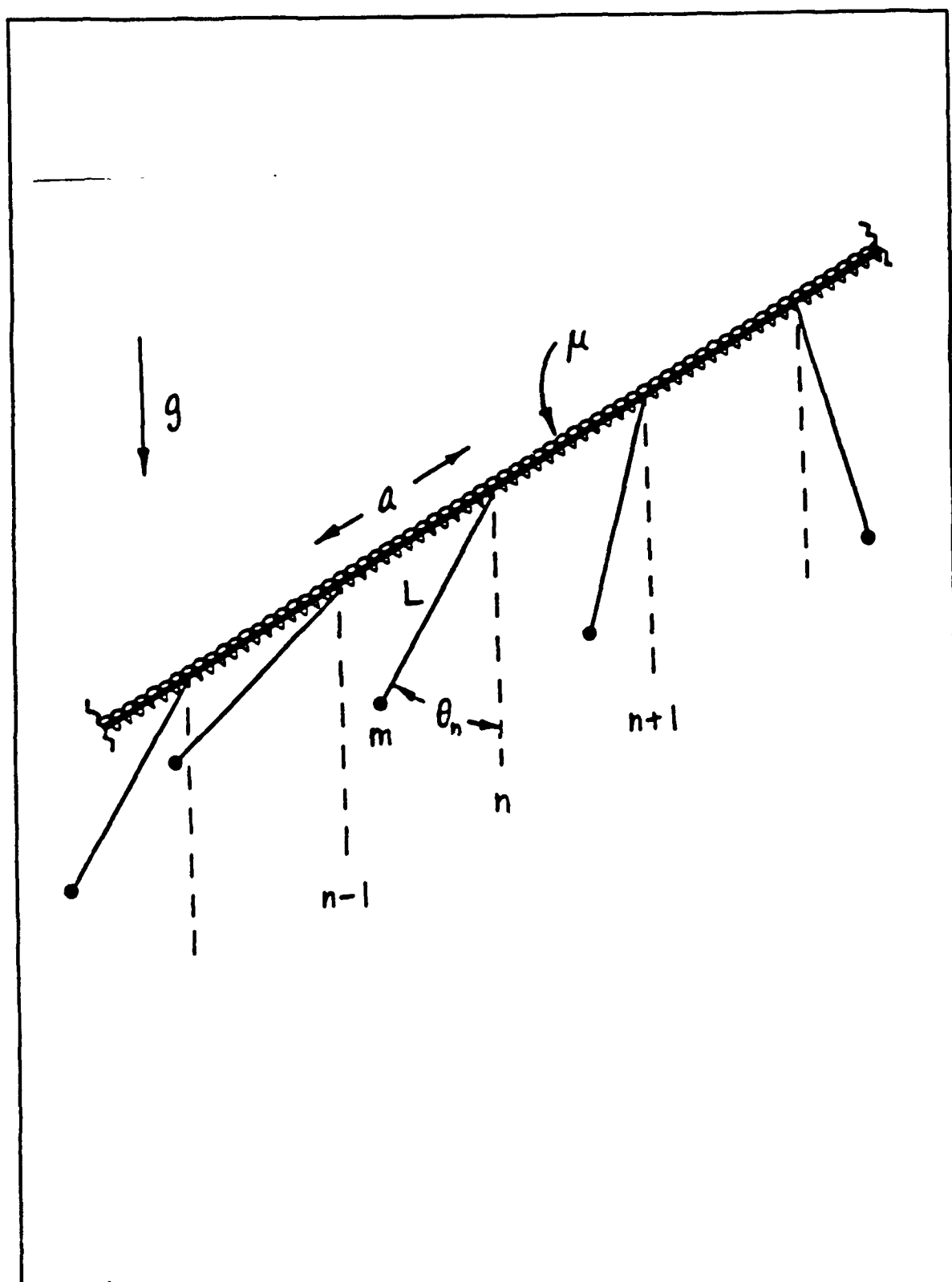


Figure II.2. Idealized pendulum lattice, from Denardo [1990].

strings which supported adjacent elements, and was assumed to be approximately linear. For our purposes, we will assume a completely linear torsional spring coupling, for ease of analysis. Each pendulum bob is now acted on by two forces - gravity and the coupling force from each nearest neighbor. The exact equation of motion is given by

$$\frac{\partial^2 \theta_n}{\partial t^2} - \frac{\mu}{mL^2}(\theta_{n+1} + \theta_{n-1} - 2\theta_n) + \omega_0^2 \sin \theta_n = 0, \quad \text{II.B.1}$$

with

$$\omega_0 = \sqrt{\frac{g}{L}}. \quad \text{II.B.2}$$

This equation can be rewritten with a coupling constant τ replacing the coefficient of the second term and the sine term expressed as an infinite series:

$$\frac{\partial^2 \theta_n}{\partial t^2} - \tau(\theta_{n+1} + \theta_{n-1} - 2\theta_n) + \omega_0^2 \theta_n - \frac{\omega_0^2}{6} \theta_n^3 - \frac{\omega_0^2}{5!} \theta_n^5 + \dots, \quad \text{II.B.3}$$

which can then be generalized, with higher order nonlinearities dropped, to

$$\ddot{\theta}_n - \gamma(\theta_{n+1} + \theta_{n-1} - 2\theta_n) + \omega_0^2 \theta_n - \alpha \theta_n^3. \quad \text{II.B.4}$$

In this equation, the sign of α is left unspecified; in Chapter III, it will be seen to be of critical importance, whereas the magnitude is not. Throughout this thesis, we will take α to be either ± 1 or 0, as desired.

In order to derive the dispersion relation for (II.B.4), we set α equal to zero, since the dispersion relation is a linear concept. As before, we assume a solution of the form of (II.A.4), and substitute into (II.B.4). Solving for frequency yields

$$\omega = \sqrt{\omega_0^2 + 4\gamma \sin^2\left(\frac{ka}{2}\right)}. \quad \text{II.B.5}$$

This dispersion relation is plotted in Figure II.3. Again, the dispersion relation is a discrete function of k , since we are dealing with a finite discrete lattice. As we add elements to the lattice, the density of points on the curve becomes greater and greater, until the curve is continuous. This corresponds to an infinite lattice.

Denardo [1990] studied solitons in the two extreme modes represented in Figure II.3, referred to as the upper and lower cutoff modes. The lower cutoff mode corresponds to $k=0$, or to an infinite wavelength, and is the mode where all lattice elements oscillate exactly in phase, so that coupling is completely inoperative. The frequency of this mode is, as indicated by II.B.5, exactly that of a single linear oscillator. The upper cutoff mode corresponds to $k=\pi/a$, or wavelength equal to

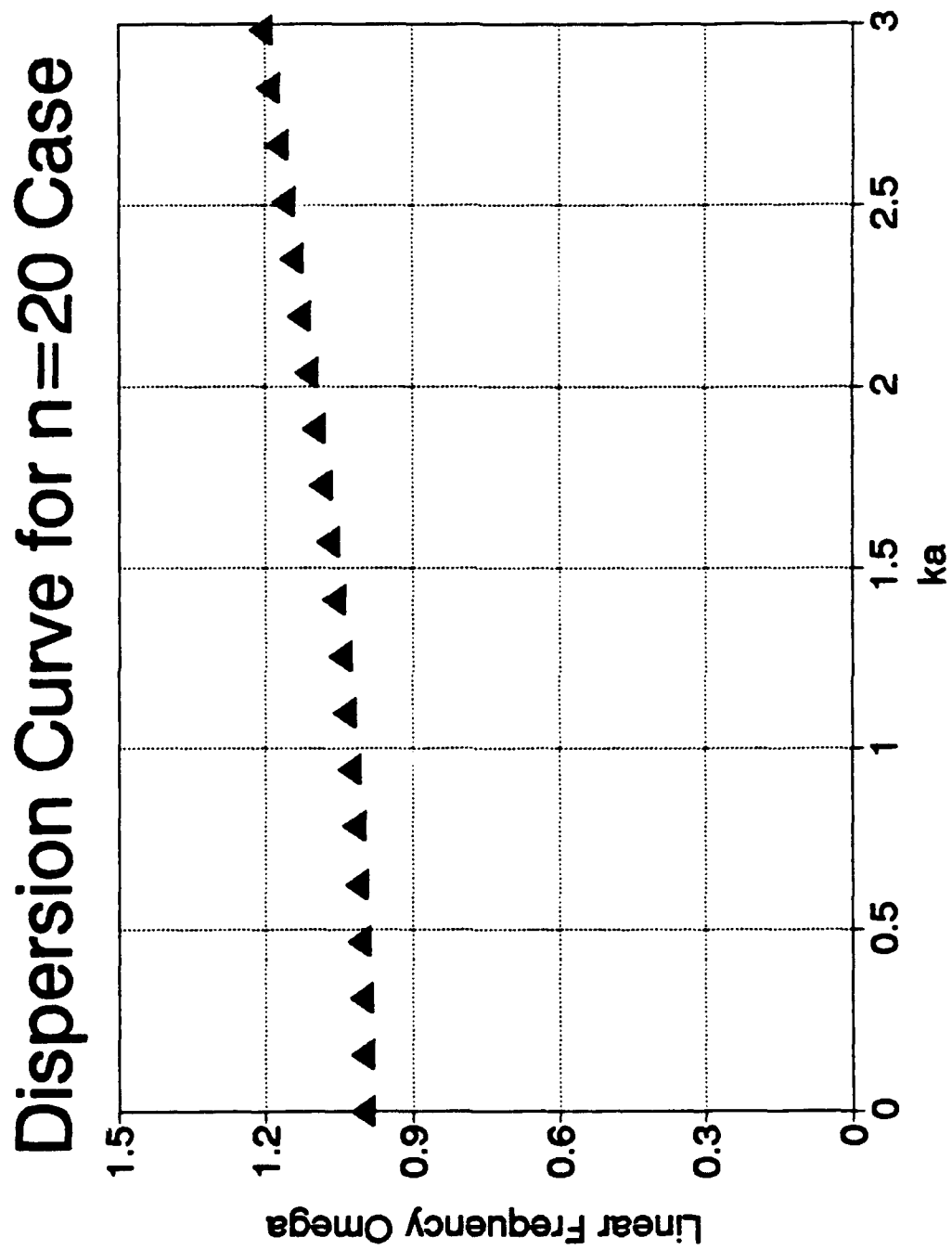


Figure II.3. Dispersion relation for generalized pendulum lattice.

two lattice spacings. In this mode, adjacent elements are exactly out of phase with each other. Coupling is maximally effective in this mode, and the frequency is given by

$$\omega_1^2 = \omega_0^2 + 4\gamma. \quad \text{II.B.6}$$

Taking the continuum limit of the equation of motion exactly as before, we get

$$\frac{\partial^2 \theta}{\partial t^2} - \gamma \frac{\partial^2 \theta}{\partial y^2} + \sin \theta = 0. \quad \text{II.B.7}$$

Keeping only the leading order nonlinearity and generalizing, we get the nonlinear Klein-Gordon equation

$$\frac{\partial^2 \theta}{\partial t^2} - \gamma \frac{\partial^2 \theta}{\partial y^2} + \omega_0^2 \theta - \alpha \theta^3. \quad \text{II.B.8}$$

This is the continuum equation which corresponds to the discrete equation modeled in this thesis. As with the mass spring lattice, the model can be viewed as a finite element approximation of (II.B.7) with only nearest neighbor interactions allowed, or an approximation of (II.B.6) which is accurate, where the second spatial derivative does not vanish, to fourth order in ka .

C. THE DRIVEN DAMPED LATTICE.

The experimental work which preceded this thesis was done using a damped driven pendulum lattice, and indeed the use of drive and dissipation proved useful in the numerical modeling of nonlinear lattices as well. The reason for the need for drive in the experimental lattice is that dissipation is unavoidable, so if any steady state was to be studied, drive was necessary. In the case of the work presented here, the primary utility of drive and dissipation arises from the fact that energy radiated away from solitons as they reach a steady state profile is damped and does not return after traversing the ring lattice. When the free case is studied, it is often difficult to recognize the presence or confirm the absence of solitons in the presence of high background radiated energy.

In the numerical model, drive and dissipation were incorporated into the equation of motion by incorporating a linear damping term, with damping constant β , and a modification to the last term by the inclusion of a term representing drive of amplitude 2η and frequency 2ω :

$$\frac{\partial^2 x_n}{\partial t^2} - \gamma(x_{n+1} + x_{n-1} - 2x_n) + \beta \dot{x}_n + [\omega_0^2 + 2\eta \cos(2\omega t)]x_n - \alpha x_n^3. \quad \text{II.C.1}$$

This is the equation for a system with acceleration drive, as opposed to a system with displacement drive, where we would have an additional factor of ω^2 multiplying the cosine in the drive term. Equation (II.C.1), with the coupling term and the cubic

nonlinearity neglected, is a form of Mathieu's Equation, the analysis of which is well established (see, for example, Pippard [1979], pp. 289-301, or Appendix I of Denardo [1990]).

III. THE NONLINEAR LATTICE I: CUTOFF MODE SOLITONS

A. BRIEF OVERVIEW OF SOLITON THEORY.

Solitons are "localized regions of motion with finite energy that can appear in media that support waves" (Denardo [1990]). They can be viewed either as finite extent nonlinear waves or as "particles" (hence their name, which was coined by Zabusky and Kruskal [1965]). Solitons have several interesting properties. They exist because of the competition between dispersive and nonlinear effects. Dispersive effects tend to "spread out" the wave, shedding energy via linear radiation of energy at various frequencies. Nonlinear effects tend to concentrate the energy. When the medium in question obtains a profile that matches a soliton solution to its underlying differential equations of motion, these effects are exactly balanced, and energy is trapped in a soliton. Solitons can either be propagating or stationary; whereas most of the theoretical and numerical work done until recently has concerned itself almost exclusively with propagating solitons, the work here is focused almost exclusively on the stationary, or standing, solitons first discerned experimentally by Wu et al. [1984] and explained theoretically by Larraza and Putterman [1984]. Another important aspect of solitons is that they collide elastically and are frequently very long-lived. These two facts, and the very great localization of energy within a potential field that solitons represent, have made them the subject

of much interest in fields as widely separated as molecular biology and particle physics.

Several well established nonlinear equations of motion have been shown to have soliton solutions (Ablowitz and Segur [1981]). Of these, we are concerned here with only two. The first of these is the Nonlinear Schrodinger (NLS) Equation:

$$j\frac{\partial A}{\partial t} - \gamma \frac{\partial^2 A}{\partial \xi^2} - \nu |A|^2 A = 0, \quad \text{III.A.1}$$

where, for a surface wave of wavenumber k on a deep liquid, the parameters are

$$\gamma = -\frac{1}{2} \frac{d^2 \omega}{dk^2} > 0 \quad \text{III.A.2}$$

$$\nu = 2\omega k^2 \quad \text{III.A.3}$$

and

$$\xi = x - \frac{d\omega}{dk} t. \quad \text{III.A.4}$$

A well-established soliton solution to the NLS equation is

$$A = \sqrt{\frac{2b}{\nu}} \operatorname{sech} \left[\sqrt{\frac{b}{\gamma}} (\xi - \nu t) \right] e^{-\frac{j\nu x}{2\gamma}}, \quad \text{III.A.5}$$

where the velocity ν is a free parameter, and where

$$b = \frac{v}{2\gamma} \left(\frac{d\omega}{dk} + \frac{v}{2} \right). \quad \text{III.A.6}$$

An important feature of this solution is that the amplitude of the envelope divided by the characteristic length of the soliton is a constant, with value

$$K = \sqrt{\frac{2\gamma}{v}}. \quad \text{III.A.7}$$

This property proves very useful in discriminating actual soliton solutions and solutions which look superficially like the hyperbolic secant soliton but do not obey this rule.

The other standard nonlinear evolution equation with soliton solutions that is relevant here is the sine-Gordon equation,

$$\frac{\partial^2 \theta}{\partial t^2} - c^2 \frac{\partial^2 \theta}{\partial x^2} + \omega_0^2 \sin(\theta) = 0, \quad \text{III.A.10}$$

which is derived from the equation of motion of the pendulum lattice and in many other physical applications (Dodd et al. [1982]). A static kink solution to equation (III.A.8) is

$$\theta(x) = 4 \tan^{-1} \left(e^{\frac{\omega_0 x}{c}} \right).$$

III.A.11

This solution constitutes a transition between two domains separated by 360 degrees, similar to the separatrix motion of a single pendulum. Solutions to the nonlinear evolution equations (III.A.1 and III.A.8) have been shown to strictly meet the accepted standards of what a soliton is. That is, they collide elastically and have finite spatial extent. As the exact equations of motion of the generalized nonlinear lattice are explored in subsequent sections, it will become clear that these are only approximate solutions to the real lattice. No attempt has been made in this thesis to examine the elasticity of collisions between two or more solitons, so the term is used somewhat more loosely here than in the literature. The width-amplitude ratio test has been used, however, to limit the study to solutions at least very closely resembling solitons. In fact, it is a general observation that, in any real systems, which therefore have some dissipative effects, however small, none of the exact soliton solutions that have been discussed in the literature to date actually remain. All of those studies have been in free systems, since a dissipative term in the nonlinear evolution equations invariably separates the equation from the standard forms which have exact soliton solutions.

B. NLS THEORY OF THE CUTOFF MODE LATTICE.

We consider in this thesis the generalized equation resulting from a linearly coupled lattice of nonlinear oscillators. The original system in question was the model pendulum lattice whose exact equation of motion is

$$\ddot{\theta}_n - \gamma(\theta_{n+1} + \theta_{n-1} - 2\theta_n) - \omega_0^2 \sin \theta_n, \quad \text{III.B.1}$$

where

$$\omega_0^2 = \frac{g}{L}, \quad \text{III.B.2}$$

and

$$\gamma = \frac{Ta^2}{mL^2}, \quad \text{III.B.3}$$

and T is the torsional constant of the springs connecting adjacent elements, a is the lattice spacing (which we henceforth take to be unity, and drop from the equation), m is the mass of the pendulums bobs, and L is the length of each pendulum. This equation is usually linearized as

$$\ddot{\theta}_n - \gamma(\theta_{n+1} + \theta_{n-1} - 2\theta_n) - \omega_0^2 \theta_n. \quad \text{III.B.4}$$

However, in the weakly nonlinear regime, the second term in the Taylor expansion of the sine function is included:

$$\ddot{\theta}_n - \gamma(\theta_{n+1} + \theta_{n-1} - 2\theta_n) + \omega_0^2 \theta_n - \frac{\omega_0^2}{6} \theta_n^3. \quad \text{III.B.5}$$

Generalizing this equation as was done in Chapter II, and adding drive and dissipation, we get the equation used in the computer model used in this thesis (for description of numerical methods used, see Appendix A):

$$\ddot{\theta}_n - \gamma(\theta_{n+1} + \theta_{n-1} - 2\theta_n) - \beta \dot{\theta}_n - (\omega_0^2 + 2\eta \cos(2\omega t)) \theta_n + \alpha \theta_n^3. \quad \text{III.B.6}$$

Analytically, this equation is difficult to deal with. We consider first, therefore, only the two cutoff modes (see Chapter II), with linear frequencies ω_0 and ω_1 , respectively, where it is possible to make suitable approximations and arrive at an analytically tractable expression (in fact, the NLS equation). We consider the uniform lower cutoff state to be modulated by an envelope that is slowly varying in both space and time. That is,

$$\theta(x,t) = A(x,t)e^{j\omega t} + B(x,t)e^{3j\omega t} + \dots + c.c., \quad \text{III.B.7}$$

where

$$|B| \ll |A|, \quad \text{III.B.8}$$

and the lack of even harmonics is due to the cubic nonlinearity. Substituting this solution into the cubic Klein-Gordon (III.B.6), dropping all higher harmonics, and neglecting A_{tt} compared to A_t because $A(x,t)$ is slowly varying, we get

$$2j\omega \frac{\partial A}{\partial t} - \gamma \frac{\partial^2 A}{\partial x^2} + (\omega_0^2 - \omega^2 + j\omega\beta)A + \eta \bar{A} - 3\alpha |A|^2 A, \quad \text{III.B.9}$$

for the lower cutoff mode and

$$2j\omega \frac{\partial A}{\partial t} + \gamma \frac{\partial^2 A}{\partial x^2} + (\omega_1^2 - \omega^2 + j\omega\beta)A + \eta \bar{A} - 3\alpha |A|^2 A, \quad \text{III.B.10}$$

for the upper cutoff mode, recalling that

$$\omega_1^2 - \omega_0^2 = 4\gamma. \quad \text{III.B.11}$$

Thus both the upper and lower cutoff modes can be represented by the nonlinear Schrodinger equation, in the continuum limit, and at the weakly nonlinear level. The next theoretical task is to examine the stability of the uniform states of these modes; following that, the soliton solutions of the NLS equation will be examined in detail, including their stability characteristics.

C. STABILITY OF THE CUTOFF MODES.

Following the method of Stuart and Diprima [1978] as extended by Denardo [1990], we use an amplitude equation to study the stability of the uniform cutoff modes of our generalized lattice. Stewart and Diprima showed that this method is equivalent to the somewhat more complicated perturbative methods used by Benjamin and Feir [1967] and Eckhaus [1965]. The basic idea is to consider a small perturbation in the sidebands of the uniform mode and to determine whether the

mode is stable when so perturbed. The essential result of Benjamin and Feir, and of Eckhaus in a slightly different but conceptually equivalent problem, was that, for certain wavelength regimes, resonances between the sidebands and the mode caused energy to be shed by the mode to the sidebands, which grow exponentially.

Eckhaus and Benjamin and Feir were concerned with fluid phenomena when they conducted their work. In fact, their results were developed entirely in the realm of continuum mechanics. However, they can be used profitably with continuum limit approximations of discrete lattices, such as the Nonlinear Schrodinger Equation. However, the effects of finite lattice size on the theoretical thresholds of instability have not been studied heretofore. Later in this section we will consider the case of a two element oscillator lattice under the equations of motion given above. It will be shown that one can solve approximately for the threshold of instability in this limiting case, and that the result is in fact different from that predicted by the continuum theory (which is not really surprising; rather, it would have been surprising if the results had been identical). Finally, numerical results for lattices from two to 40 elements in size will give a very clear relationship between the continuum theory and the actual finite lattice results. There currently exists no theoretical framework in which to place these results, other than to compare them with the two element lattice theory (with which the agreement is remarkable).

1. Free Lattice Stability.

We consider the NLS equation for the lower cutoff mode of the free lattice:

$$2j\omega \frac{\partial A}{\partial t} - c^2 \frac{\partial^2 A}{\partial x^2} + (\omega_0^2 - \omega^2)A - 3\alpha |A|^2 A. \quad \text{III.C.1}$$

The uniform steady state is $A = A_0$, a positive real constant, with the relationship between amplitude and frequency being

$$A_0^2 - \frac{1}{3\alpha} (\omega_0^2 - \omega^2). \quad \text{III.C.2}$$

To investigate the stability of the motion, we set

$$A = A_0(1 + \Psi), \quad \text{III.C.3}$$

where

$$\Psi = \Psi(x, t) \quad \text{III.C.4}$$

and

$$|\Psi| \ll 1. \quad \text{III.C.5}$$

Substituting this into the NLS equation, neglecting higher order terms in Ψ , and using (III.C.3) to eliminate zero order terms, we get the evolution equation (Denardo [1990])

$$2j\omega\Psi_t - c^2\Psi_{xx} - 3\alpha A_0^2(\Psi + \bar{\Psi}) = 0. \quad \text{III.C.6}$$

Imposing a small modulation of wavenumber k , and including both left and right traveling waves, we set

$$\Psi = ae^{j(kx - \Omega t)} + be^{j(-kx - \bar{\Omega} t)}, \quad \text{III.C.7}$$

with a , b , and Ω complex constants. Grouping terms from (III.C.26) according to the type of exponential factor, and setting the coefficient of each to zero, we get

$$\begin{bmatrix} 2\omega\Omega + c^2k^2 - 3\alpha A_0^2 & -3\alpha A_0^2 \\ -3\alpha A_0^2 & -2\omega\Omega + c^2k^2 - 3\alpha A_0^2 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} a \\ b \end{bmatrix} = 0. \quad \text{III.C.8}$$

Setting the determinant of (III.C.28) to zero and solving for Ω (Denardo [1990]) gives

$$\Omega = \frac{c^2k^2}{2\omega} \left(1 - \frac{6\alpha A_0^2}{c^2k^2} \right)^{\frac{1}{2}}. \quad \text{III.C.9}$$

Thus, for Ω to be real and the modulation to be stable, we require

$$6\alpha A_0^2 < c^2 k^2.$$

III.C.10

Thus, for the lower cutoff mode, if $\alpha > 0$ (softening lattice), the motion will be unstable at a given amplitude to a sufficiently long modulation wavelength. Since the wavelength is limited by lattice size for finite lattices, it is clear that for finite softening lattices there exist amplitude thresholds below which the lower cutoff mode is stable under modulation. For hardening lattices, an identical procedure starting from (III.B.10) yields

$$6\alpha A_0^2 > c^2 k^2.$$

III.C.11

Thus, for a hardening lattice, the free uniform state will be unstable for a given amplitude for modulation wavelengths beyond some threshold, exactly analogously to the softening lower cutoff mode. Also, the softening upper cutoff mode is always stable to sideband modulations. This result is in fact the first of many which show the marked symmetry properties of the cutoff modes.

2. Stability of the Uniform Damped, Driven Cutoff Lattice.

Starting from (III.B.9), and following the method again of Denardo [1990], we consider first the effects of parametric excitation on the nonlinear cutoff modes, then the stability of the damped driven lattice to sideband modulation. Noting that (III.B.9) is equivalent to (II.C.4), with the addition only of the cubic nonlinearity term, it is clear that the analysis of excitation from rest is unchanged from that

performed in Chapter II, since, at and just above the state of rest, the additional nonlinear term plays no role. However, as mentioned in that analysis, the nonlinearity does, above some amplitude, begin to play a role that counteracts the exponential growth of oscillation due to the parametric excitation. Therefore, where the linear case grows without bound once the excitation from rest threshold is reached, the nonlinear lattice does not.

Consider the stability of these damped driven lattice states when modulated by sidebands. We start as before with

$$2j\omega \frac{\partial A}{\partial t} - c^2 \frac{\partial^2 A}{\partial x^2} + (\omega_0^2 - \omega^2 + j\omega\beta)A + \eta\omega^2 \bar{A} - 3\alpha|A|^2 A. \quad \text{III.C.12}$$

To investigate continuum stability for a modulation of wavenumber k , we let

$$A = A_0 e^{-j\delta} (1 + \Psi(x,t)), \quad \text{III.C.13}$$

where

$$A_0^2 = \frac{1}{3\alpha} (\omega_0^2 \pm \omega \sqrt{\omega^2 \eta^2 - \beta^2}). \quad \text{III.C.14}$$

As before, we retain only those terms linear in Ψ , which gives us (Denardo [1990])

$$\frac{\partial \Psi}{\partial t} - h \frac{\partial^2 \Psi}{\partial x^2} + f \Psi + g \bar{\Psi}, \quad \text{III.C.15}$$

with

$$h = \frac{c^2}{2j\omega}, \quad \text{III.C.16}$$

$$f = \frac{1}{2j\omega} [\omega_0^2 - \omega^2 - j\omega\beta \pm 2\sqrt{\eta^2 - \beta^2\omega^2}], \quad \text{III.C.17}$$

and

$$g = \frac{1}{2j\omega} [\omega_0^2 - \omega^2 + j\omega\beta]. \quad \text{III.C.18}$$

Letting

$$\Psi = ae^{j(kx + \mu t)} + be^{-j(kx + \mu t)}, \quad \text{III.C.19}$$

we get the coefficient matrix equation

$$\begin{bmatrix} f - hk^2 - \mu & g \\ \bar{g} & \bar{f} - \bar{h}k^2 - \mu \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} a \\ b \end{bmatrix} = 0. \quad \text{III.C.20}$$

We thus find that the motion is stable if

and

$$\Re(f-hk^2) \leq 0, \quad \text{III C.21}$$

$$|f-hk^2|^2 \geq |g|^2, \quad \text{III.C.22}$$

which, when the values for f and h are substituted in, yields

$$\left(3\alpha A_0^2 - \frac{1}{2}c^2k^2\right)\left[\left(3\alpha A_0^2 - \frac{1}{2}c^2k^2\right) - (\omega_0^2 - \omega^2)\right] > 0. \quad \text{III.C.23}$$

This result, from Denardo [1990], can be expressed graphically for an acceleration drive system, as shown in Figure III.1. To use Figure III.1, select any point on the tuning curve. Decrease the ordinate by $c^2k^2/2$. If the resultant point lies in a cross-hatched region, then the state is unstable to a modulation of wavenumber k . Similarly, Figure III.2 shows the stability region for the upper cutoff mode, which is essentially the same as the lower cutoff mode, with ω_1 replacing ω_0 .

3. Effects of Finite Lattice Size on Stability.

The results presented in sections 1 and 2 were based entirely on a continuum theory based on the work of Benjamin and Feir [1967]. However, in experimental and numerical work, finite lattice sizes are a necessity, even when periodic boundary conditions are used, as they were in all of the work presented here. Theoretically, although it is clear that finite lattice size leads to a discretization of possible modulation wavenumbers, the effects of finite lattice size on stability remain incompletely understood. In an effort to remedy this situation, we consider

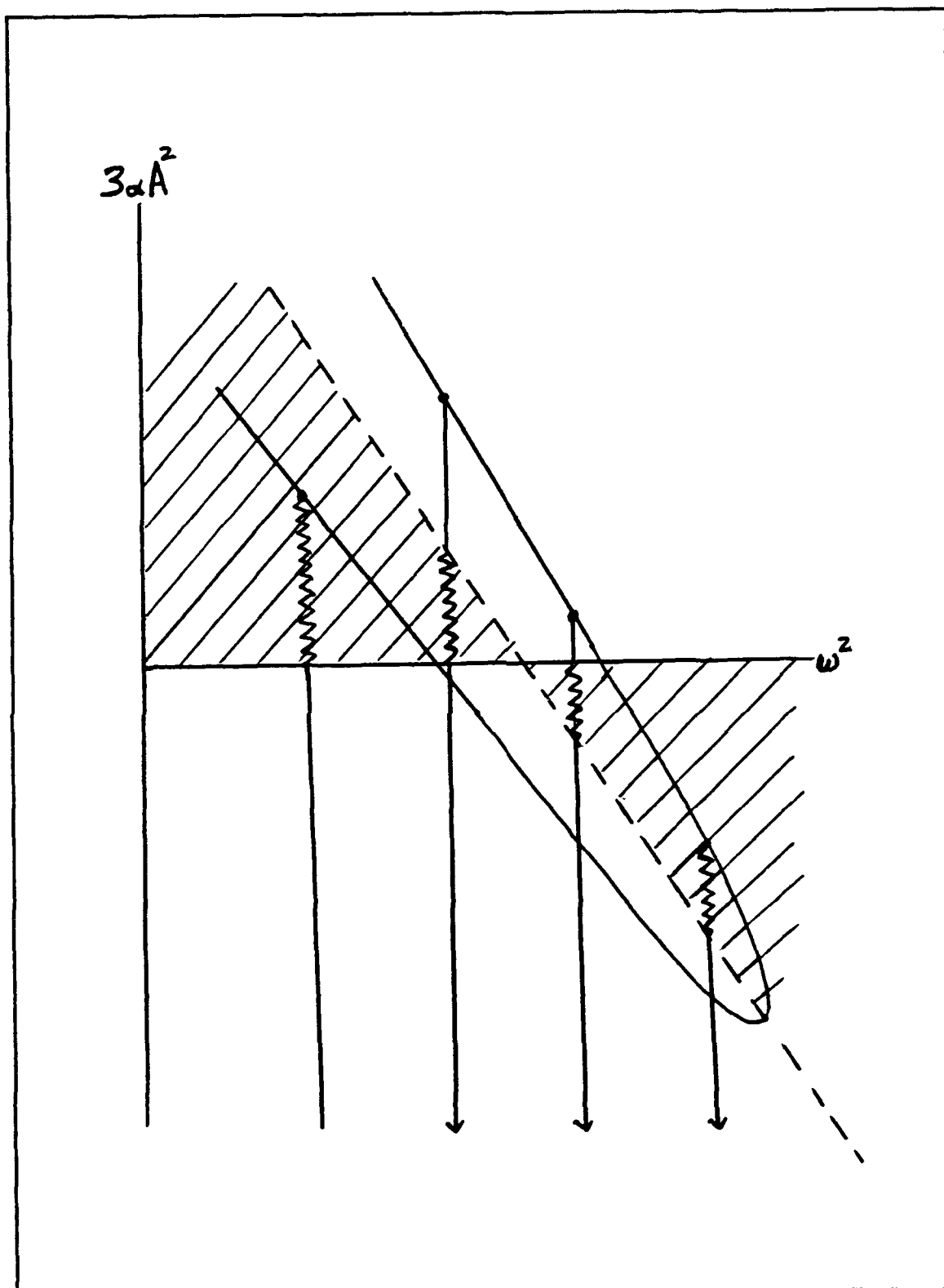


Fig. III.1. Stability of the parametrically driven steady state, from Denardo [1990].

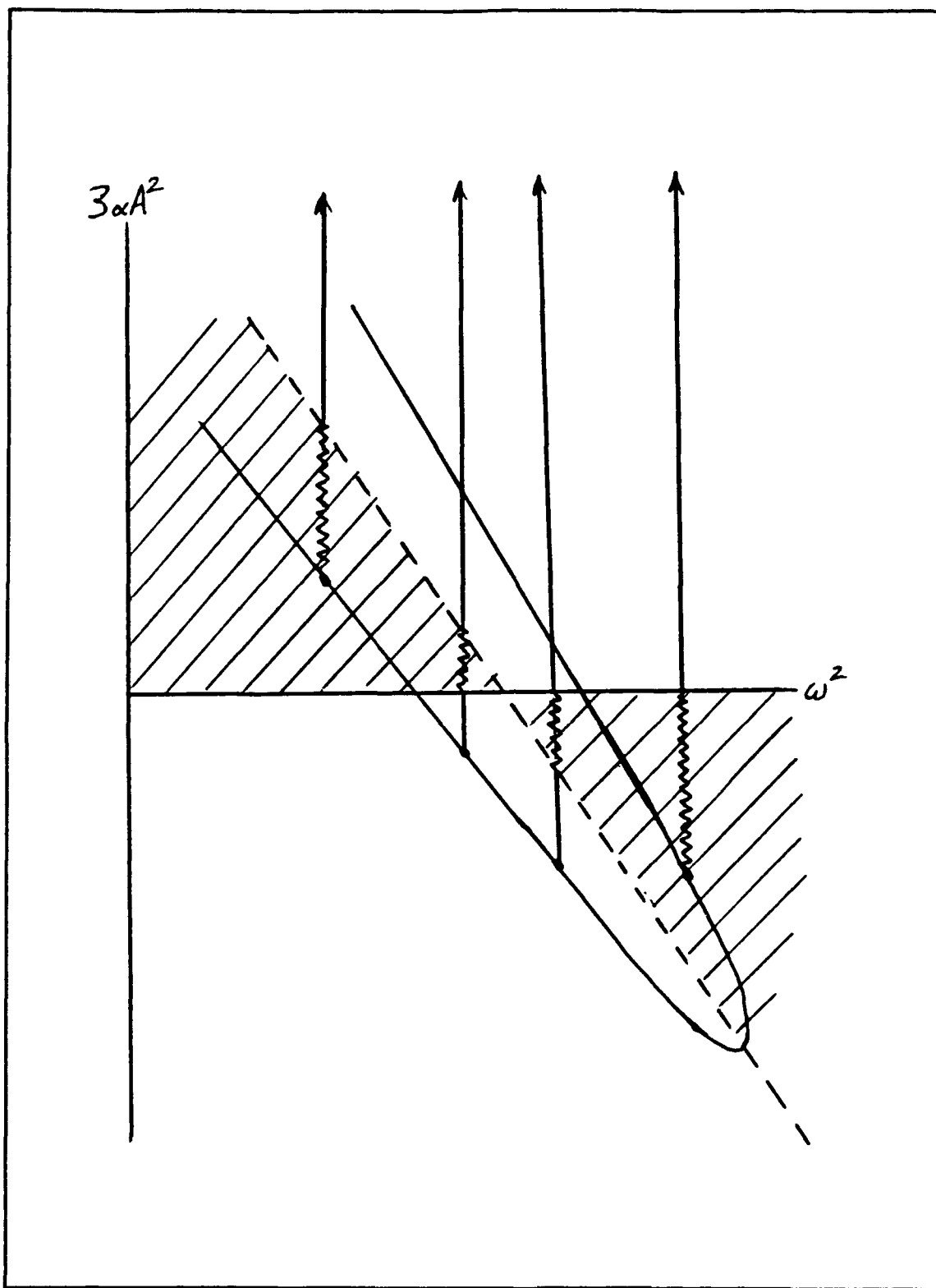


Fig. III.2. Stability of the driven upper cutoff mode.

the case of a two element lattice, which can be solved more directly (although still only approximately) using the equations of motion. This analysis will be performed and the results compared directly to those of the previous Benjamin-Feir analysis. Then numerical work on the subject will be presented, which connects in a continuous fashion the results of the Benjamin-Feir analysis and our straightforward $N=2$ analysis.

a. Two Oscillator Lattice Stability.

For the two oscillator lattice, the exact equations of motion are

$$\ddot{\theta}_1 + \omega_0^2 \theta_1 - \alpha \theta_1^3 - \gamma(\theta_1 - \theta_2) \quad \text{III.C.24}$$

$$\ddot{\theta}_2 + \omega_0^2 \theta_2 - \alpha \theta_2^3 - \gamma(\theta_1 - \theta_2). \quad \text{III.C.25}$$

Transforming to normal coordinates according to the transformation

$$\xi = \frac{1}{2}(\theta_1 + \theta_2) \quad \text{III.C.26}$$

$$\zeta = \frac{1}{2}(\theta_1 - \theta_2), \quad \text{III.C.27}$$

we get, after substitution into the equations of motion,

and

$$\ddot{\xi} + \omega_0^2 \xi - \frac{\alpha}{2}(\theta_1^3 + \theta_2^3) = 0, \quad \text{III.C.28}$$

$$\ddot{\zeta} + (\omega_0^2 + 2\gamma)\zeta - \frac{\alpha}{2}(\theta_1^3 - \theta_2^3) = 0. \quad \text{III.C.29}$$

Some manipulation shows that

$$\theta_1 \pm \theta_2^3 = \frac{2\xi(\xi^2 + 3\zeta^2)}{2\zeta(\zeta^2 + 3\xi^2)}. \quad \text{III.C.30}$$

This then yields, for equations of motion in normal coordinates,

$$\ddot{\xi} + \omega_0^2 \xi - \alpha \xi^3 + 3\alpha \zeta^2 \xi \quad \text{III.C.31}$$

and

$$\ddot{\zeta} + (\omega_0^2 + 2\gamma)\zeta - \alpha \zeta^3 + 3\alpha \xi^2 \zeta. \quad \text{III.C.32}$$

An examination of the form of these equation shows that each of the modes, which can be considered as oscillators, is parametrically driving the other. We need to determine the amplitude threshold for excitation next. Consider, for weakly nonlinear motion, the initial state

$$\zeta = A \cos \omega t + (\text{higher harmonics}), \quad \text{III.C.33}$$

$$\xi = 0, \quad \text{III.C.34}$$

where

$$\omega^2 - \omega_0^2 + 2\gamma - \frac{3}{4}\alpha A^2. \quad \text{III.C.35}$$

For a single parametrically driven oscillator,

$$\ddot{\theta} + (\Omega^2 + 2\eta \cos 2\omega t)\theta = 0, \quad \text{III.C.36}$$

the amplitude threshold is given approximately by

$$\eta > |\Omega^2 - \omega^2|. \quad \text{III.C.37}$$

This is only valid if the two frequencies are very similar, and is often expressed as

$$\eta > 2\Omega|\Omega - \omega|. \quad \text{III.C.38}$$

We neglect the cubic term in (III.C.31) because the amplitude is small initially. The other nonlinear term is

$$3\alpha A^2 \cos^2 \omega t \xi - \frac{3}{2} A^2 (1 + \cos 2\omega t) \xi. \quad \text{III.C.39}$$

There is, in addition to the driving force, a restoring or antirestoring force which alters the frequency of the driven oscillator. The new frequency is given by

$$\Omega^2 - \omega_0^2 - \frac{3}{2} \alpha A^2. \quad \text{III.C.40}$$

The amplitude of the parametric drive is given by

$$2\eta - \frac{3}{2} \alpha A^2. \quad \text{III.C.41}$$

Excitation occurs if

$$\frac{3}{4} \alpha A^2 > \left(\omega_0^2 - \frac{3}{2} \alpha A^2 \right) - \left(\omega_0^2 + 2\gamma - \frac{3}{4} \alpha A^2 \right). \quad \text{III.C.42}$$

The alteration of the frequency of the driven oscillator is very important since it is a greater change than the nonlinear bending of the frequency of the driver oscillator:

$$\frac{3}{4}|\alpha|A^2 > \left| 2\gamma + \frac{3}{4}\alpha A^2 \right|. \quad \text{III.C.43}$$

This relation is not satisfied if $\alpha > 0$ (softening case), so the softening upper cutoff lattice is stable (as expected from previous considerations). For $\alpha < 0$, it follows from (III.C.42) that the threshold condition is

$$\frac{3}{4}|\alpha|A^2 > \gamma. \quad \text{III.C.44}$$

Therefore we can define the critical amplitude to be

$$A_c = \sqrt{\frac{4\gamma}{3|\alpha|}}. \quad \text{III.C.45}$$

A similar analysis shows that, for the lower cutoff mode, the motion is unstable for amplitudes greater than A_c . Before we can compare this critical amplitude, which applies only for the $N=2$ case, to the Benjamin-Feir critical amplitude (obtained from III.C.10),

$$A_{c,BF} = \frac{4\pi}{N} \sqrt{\frac{\gamma}{6}}, \quad \text{III.C.46}$$

we need to express it in terms of the original coordinates (Equation (III.C.45) is for the normal coordinate system):

$$A_{c,N-2} = \sqrt{\frac{4}{3\alpha} 2\gamma}. \quad \text{III.C.47}$$

For a coupling parameter of 0.25, the values are 1.28255 and 0.816497, respectively. It is clear that the difference is significant between the continuum theory prediction and the discrete theory; any attempt to explain theoretically the deviation from continuum theory in the finite lattice limit must account for this difference.

b. Numerical Study of Finite Lattice Effects.

A simple lattice model, described in Appendix A, was used to explore the behavior of the stability threshold for finite lattices in order to explore more deeply the relationship between Benjamin-Feir continuum theory and the exact theory just presented. In each case, a lattice of amplitude A was modulated by a small (about 10% peak to peak of A) modulation of wavelength equal to lattice length. The long term behavior of the system was then monitored. If the initial amplitude A was above the actual stability threshold, then the clean, single spatial frequency modulation grew and became complex spectrally. Otherwise, the system

remained stable for long (at least 100 cycles). Various amplitudes were used, with increasingly fine resolution, until a good estimate of A_c was available. All values shown in graphs are accurate to within less than one percent.

First we consider the $N=2$ lattice as a special, limiting case of the finite lattices. Figure III.3 shows the theoretical curves of A_c as a function of coupling, along with the results obtained for a hardening lattice with numerical data obtained using the model. It is clear from the numerical results that the approximate theory is correct, which was expected. Extension of the exact two element theory to larger lattices has not yet been attempted, but a numerical determination of the onset of instability as a function of lattice size was conducted. The results are given in Figure III.4. The continuum theory clearly determines the threshold for lattices larger than 20 elements; for smaller lattices, a mechanism probably related to the one studied in the two element case causes instability to occur sooner.

While verifying this theory and showing the extent of deviation from continuum theory that the smallest possible finite lattice exhibits, an interesting and unexpected additional result was obtained. Before describing it, it is important to point out that the instability predicted by the exact theory in the last section was due to a different mechanism than the Benjamin-Feir instability. Instead of sideband modulational instability, the exact theory merely applied well established (and previously discussed) parametric excitation stability theory to the case where one element is considered to be parametrically driven by the second element. In fact, one might have been tempted to presuppose that the results obtained using the

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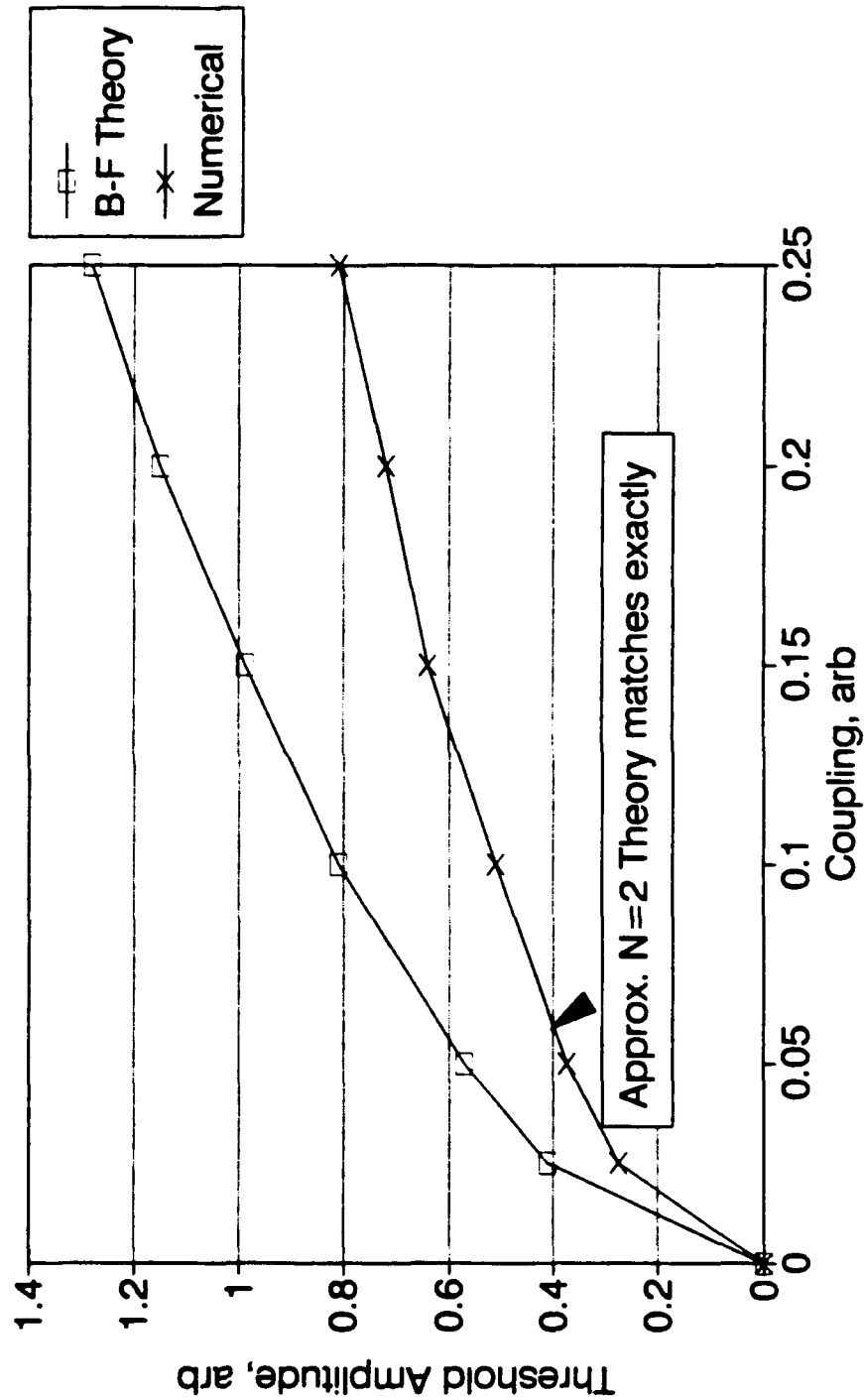


Figure III.3. Comparison of theory and numerical results for N=2 stability.

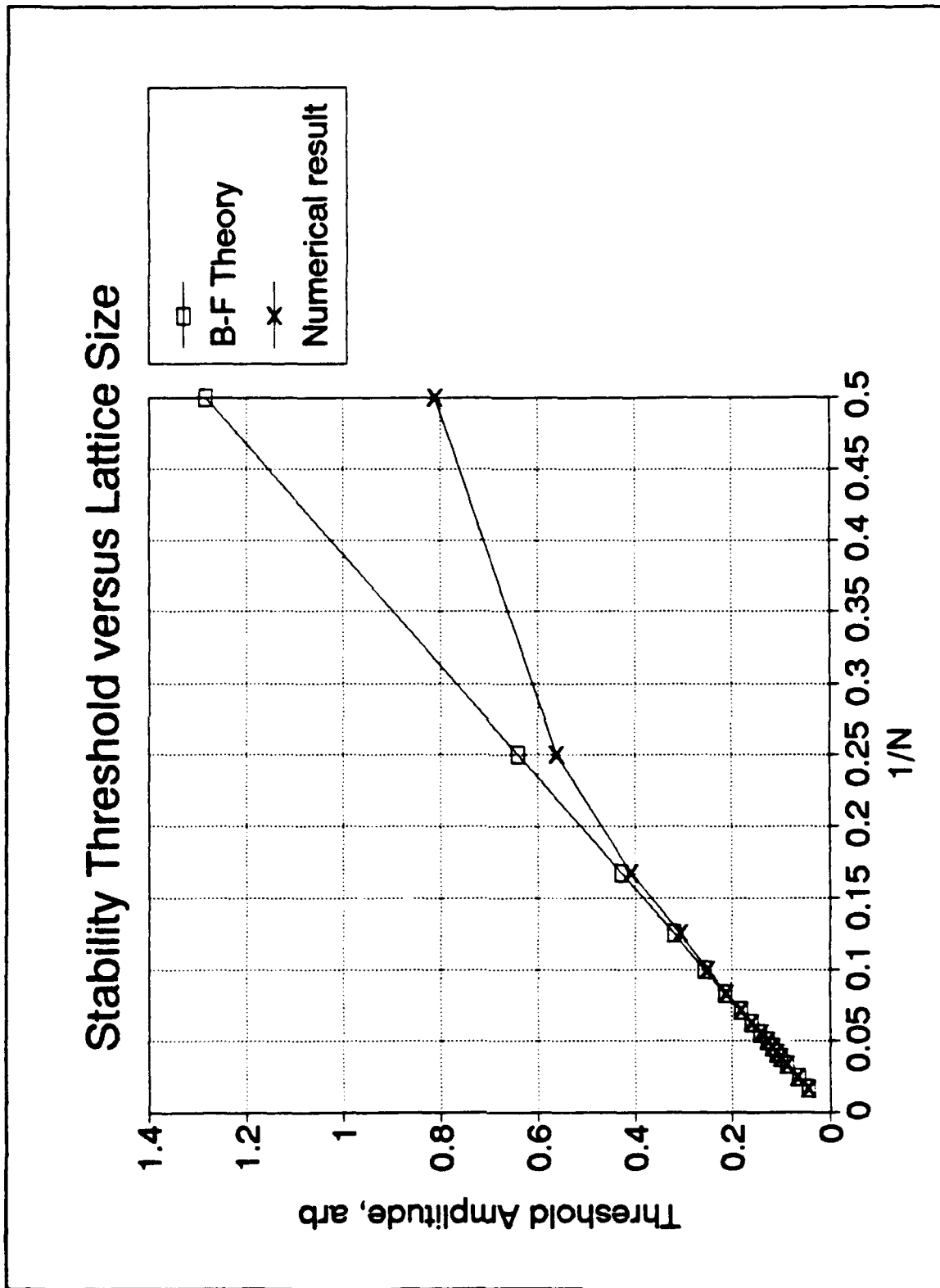


Fig. III.4. Numerical stability results, $\gamma = 0.25$, with Benjamin-Feir theory.

parametric drive theory would be invalid, since, as the driven element's amplitude grows, it begins to be stabilized by its nonlinearity. Additionally, at some point one would guess that, in a phenomenon similar in appearance to the well understood linear energy beating phenomenon, the driven element becomes the driving element.

In fact, the instability which occurs at the threshold amplitudes calculated by the exact parametric theory is a weak instability. For amplitudes just slightly greater than the threshold, the driving element periodically decreases and then increases in amplitude, while the driven element does the opposite. For amplitudes in the lower third of the band between the two theoretical thresholds, the two elements never switch roles. Then, there is a band where the roles switch, but in a chaotic fashion. That is, the switching takes place at unpredictable intervals. At slightly greater amplitudes, the switching becomes more periodic, but the detailed motion of each element becomes more and more chaotic. The boundary between the domains where switching does and doesn't take place proves to be very difficult to pin down, as in fact do most of the similar boundaries encountered in this study. This can be seen, for example, in the time series of Figures III.5 and III.6. Each of these is a series of measurements of the amplitude of the first of two oscillators in a lattice with coupling of 0.15. In Figure 5, the lattice started with amplitude of 0.8225; in Figure 6, the initial amplitude was 0.84. For reference, the lower threshold amplitude for this coupling is 0.65, and the upper threshold is 0.99. In Figure 5, the lattice is just inside the boundary, that is, it is just inside the no switching domain basin of attraction. The lattice makes a sudden flip across the

boundary, and then flips back again. This behavior occurred in a free system after the system had been running for several hundred oscillator cycles. In Figure 6, the lattice lies initially just outside the boundary, then flips back and forth a couple of times before settling inside the boundary where it stayed for several thousand periods of the oscillator. The entire transient took dozens of oscillator cycles, but only fifteen of the long time cycles of the drive. Based on Figures 5 and 6, one can conclude that the boundary lies somewhere around 0.83. A more striking example of a state lying exactly on the boundary is given in Figure III.7. The element is from an $N=2$ lattice with maximum (0.25) coupling and initial amplitude of 1.05, which is 51% into the inter-threshold band. The extreme irregularity and clear lack of a preferred state of this free system are typical of highly chaotic systems.

While watching the motion in the time domain gives a vivid example of chaotic motion, it is in the frequency and phase domains that the best careful look at the onset of chaos can be had. In order to fully characterize the evolution of the system's behavior between the two theoretical threshold amplitudes, a study of behavior at various amplitudes was conducted using frequency and phase domain methods. Figures III.8 and III.9 give a sampling of the spectra of one of the elements at various amplitudes. It is important to note that these are representative samples only, for the spectra for most amplitudes are continually shifting, especially in the higher amplitudes where there is frequent role shifting between driver and driven elements.

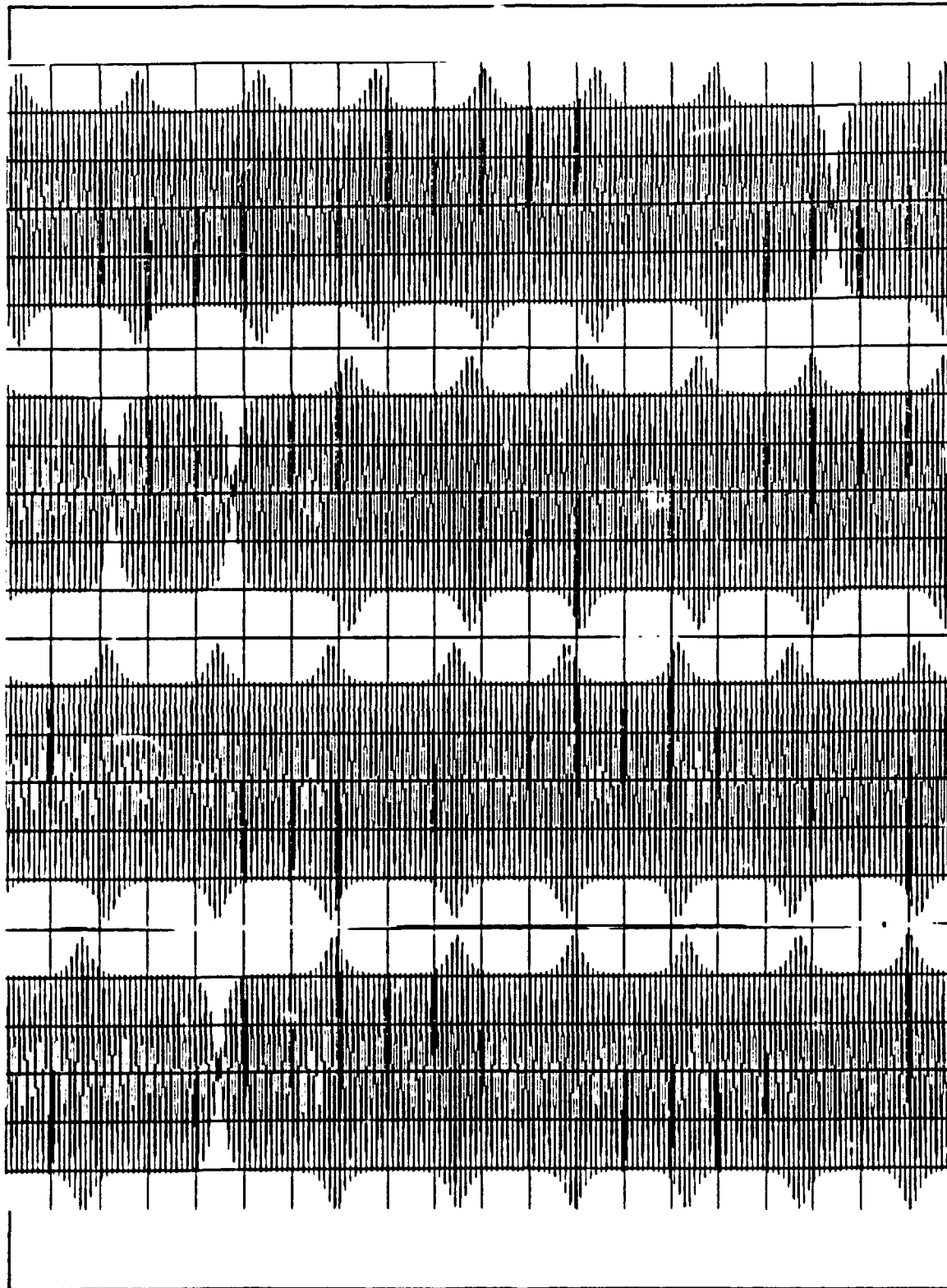


Figure III.5. Time series for $N=2$ element with coupling = 0.15, amp = 0.8225.

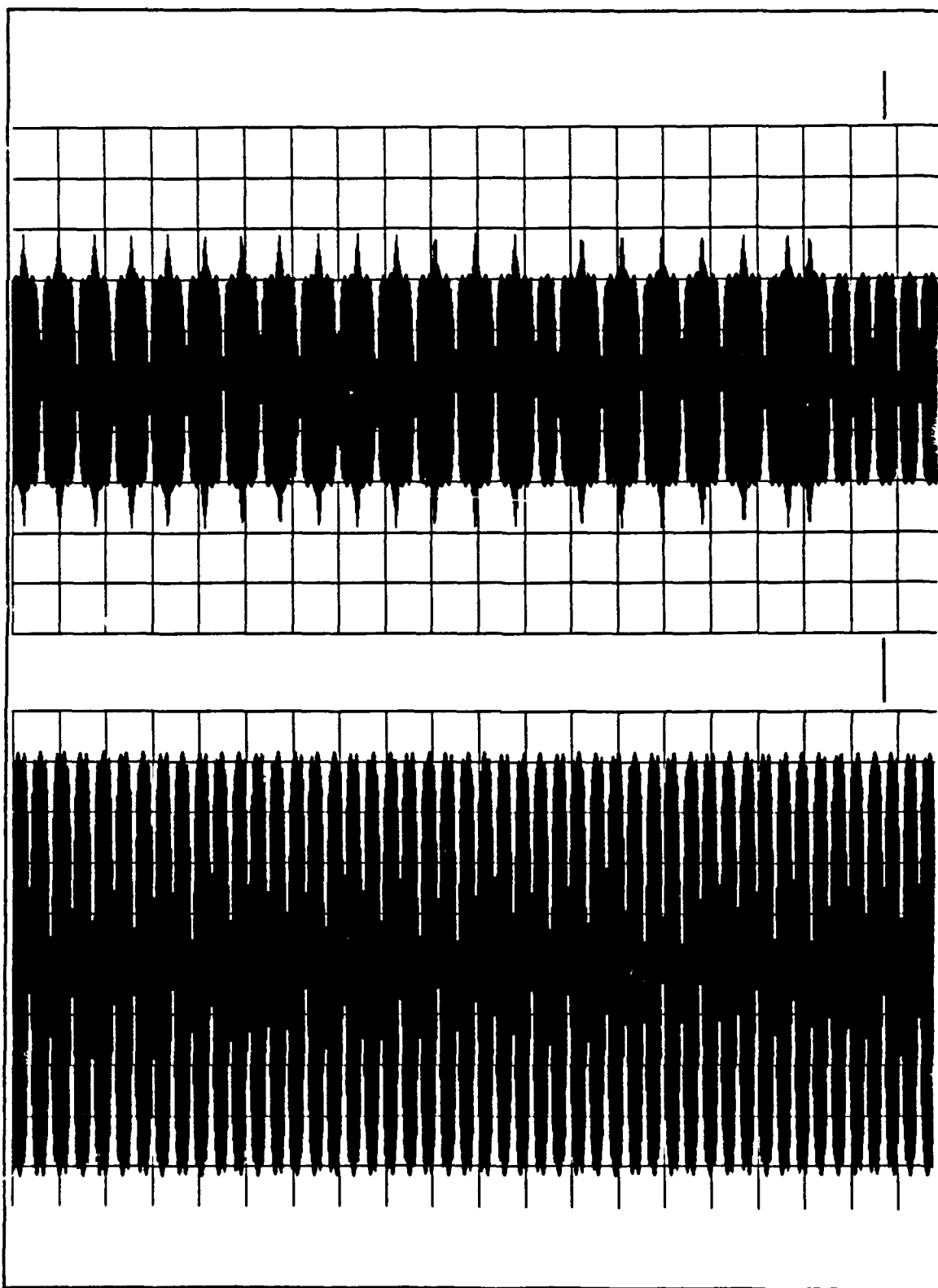


Figure III.6. Time series, $N=2$ lattice element with coupling = 0.15, amp = 0.84.

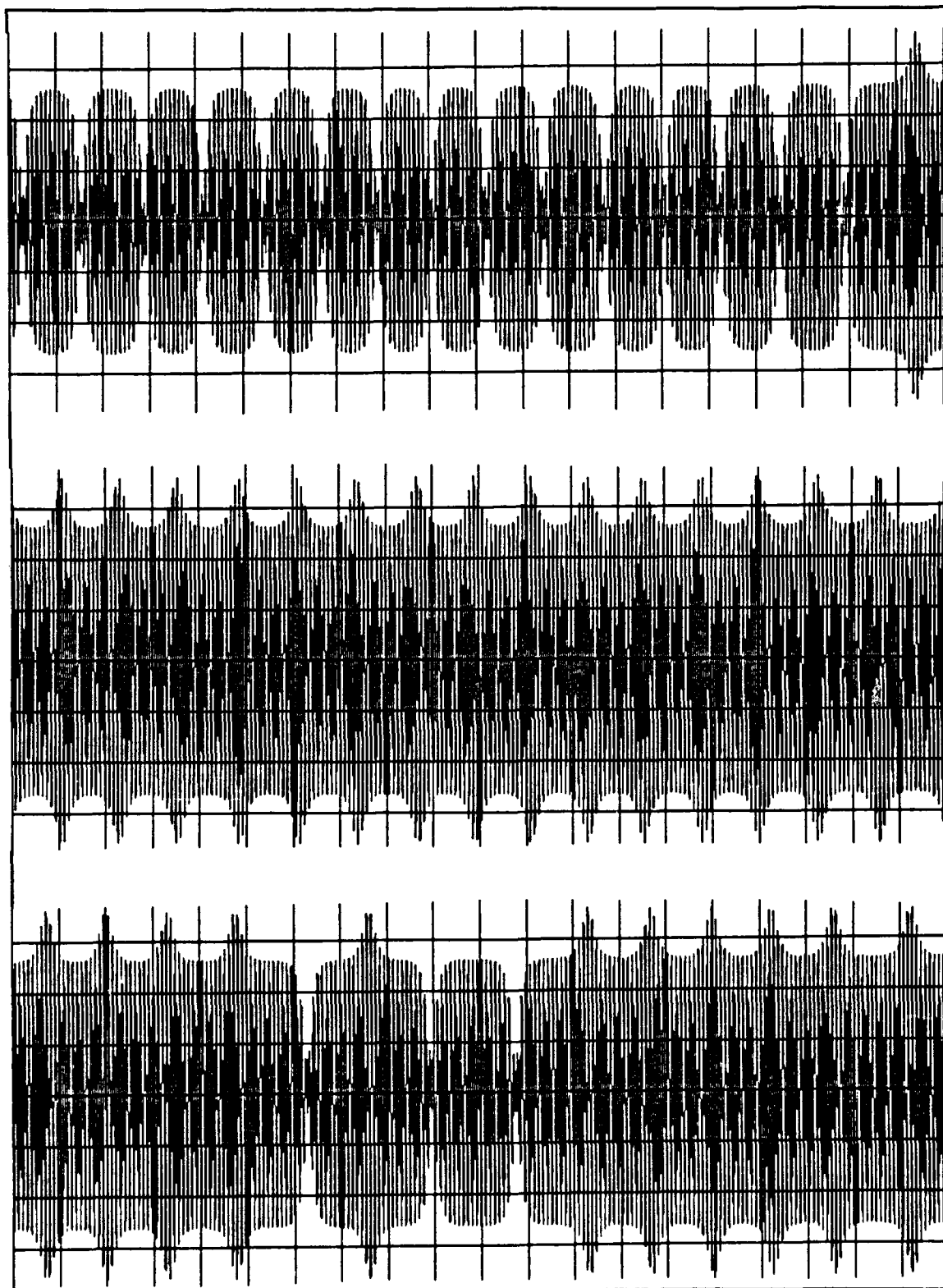


Figure III.7. Chaotic $N=2$ lattice element time series with max coupling

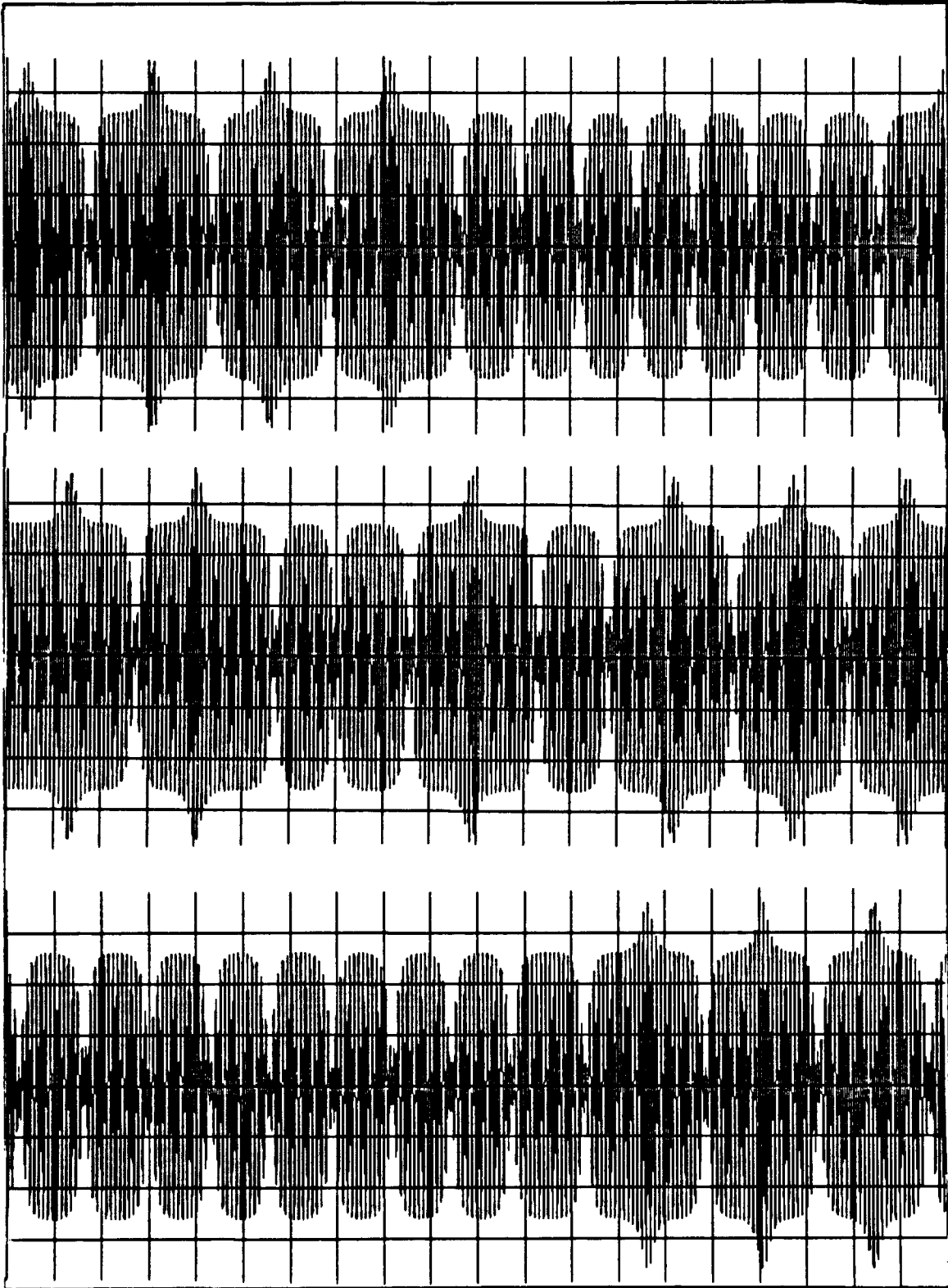


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Examining the spectra in Figures III.8 and III.9, one sees that the element is monotonic just below the lower threshold (the exact theory threshold). As one moves to just above the threshold, several small tonals appear very close to the base frequency, and the signal becomes somewhat more broadband in character. At 20% into the "inter-threshold band", the side tonals have become more pronounced, and have moved farther from the home frequency. Note also that they are mainly on the high side of the main tonal -- for amplitudes in the weakly unstable band, this is typical of the driven elements. The driving element typically has sidebands on the low side of the main tonal. At 51% into the band, a great deal of broadband noise is seen; motion in this regime is chaotic. The number of sidebands is also much greater. Notice, in the first example (peak amplitude 652) that most of the tonals are on the low side, and that the spectrum is somewhat cleaner than the other. This is indeed a driving element, although the roles switch in this portion of the band. The second spectrum (peak amplitude 982) is typical of an element that is beginning to switch. A relatively clean spectrum becomes very noisy, or chaotic, and then it switches from predominantly low to high tonals, or vice versa. This corresponds to the kind of chaotic transient seen in Figures 5, 6 and 7 in the time domain, and is in fact for the same conditions as those which gave the markedly chaotic time series in Figure III.7.

The next pair of spectra are at 72% into the inter-threshold band. The first is remarkably clean, and corresponds to a driven element, even though there is an imbalance to the low side of the main tonal. In fact, as one moves higher

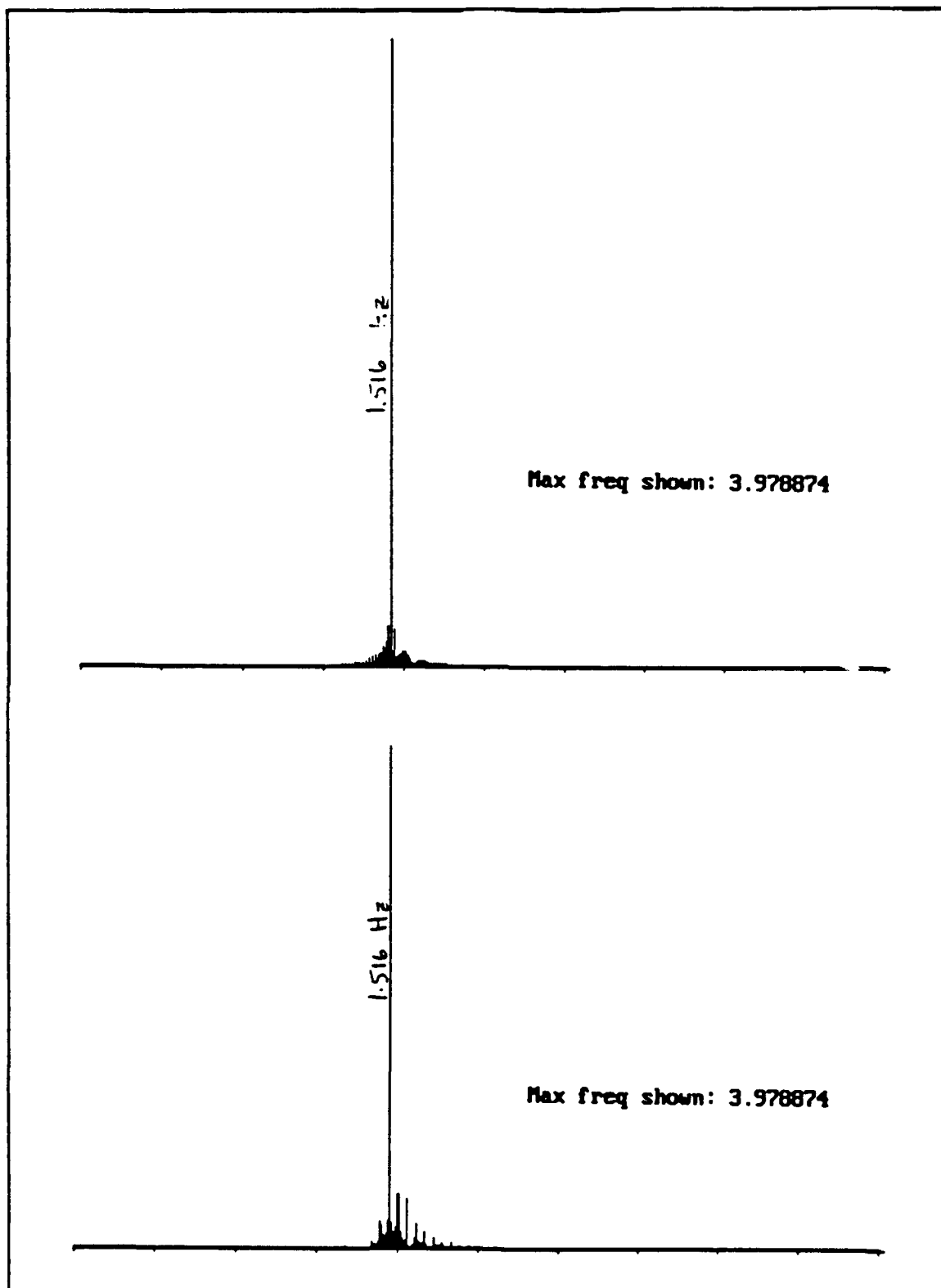


Figure III.8. Spectra, $N=2$ lattice elements just below and above lower threshold.

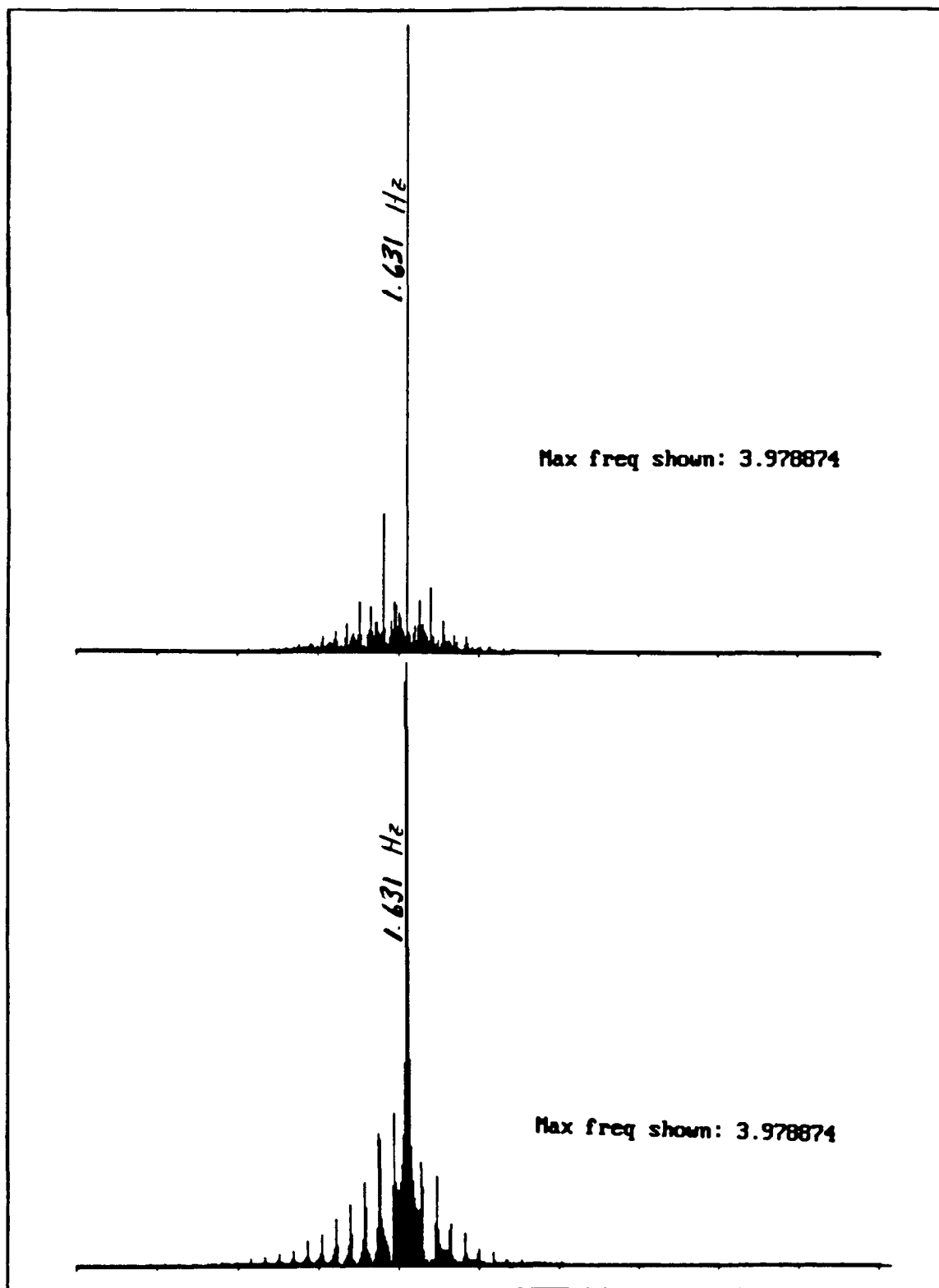


Figure III.9. Spectra for N=2 lattice elements at 51% and 75% of unstable band.

into the band, one sees the distinction in sideband distribution between driver and driven element break down, and one has to rely primarily on peak amplitude to classify. The second element, based on this, is clearly a driving element, and it still exhibits the predominant low end sidebands. It is also beginning to switch, as indicated by the greater amount of noise.

The trends seen in this small sampling of spectra in the inter-threshold band are valid throughout the band. As one moves from just below the lower threshold to just below the upper threshold, one sees a gradual move from monofrequency response to a response with many sidebands. The number of sidebands grows as amplitude increases, but it does not grow with time at a given amplitude (this is different than what one would expect with a Benjamin-Feir type instability). There is a clear distinction low in the band between driver and driven element, both in amplitude and sideband location. This distinction due to sideband location breaks down as one moves above the midpoint of the band, due to the element spending an equal amount of time in each of the roles. As seen above in Figures III.5 and III.6, an element near the boundary spends large segments of time in one role or the other, then may switch in a chaotic burst of activity to the other mode. Regular switching of roles between driver and driven does not begin until amplitude is well above the boundary between the two domains of attraction. At first irregular, or chaotic, it becomes regular as one moves up in the band, which corresponds to what has already been seen in the time domain.

Finally, looking at the lattice between the two amplitude thresholds in the phase domain yields additional insight into the behavior of this complex set of states. Figures III.10 and III.11 show a succession of phase diagrams for the same lattice element shown in Figures III.8 and III.9 in the frequency domain, and Figure III.7 in the time domain. The values of amplitude used are also identical to those of Figures III.8 and III.9, allowing direct comparison. The first phase diagram, corresponding to an amplitude just below the lower threshold, is very clean -- this is stable, monochromatic motion, as seen in the spectrum. In the next diagram, taken for amplitude slightly above the threshold, the same underlying shape is clearly evident and takes the majority of the "hits" of the Poincare section, but there is now a significant amount of scatter both in and out of the original shape. The idea of "weak instability" is here given a vivid graphic representation.

The phase diagram for 51%, which corresponds to the highly chaotic condition at the boundary discussed above, the original shape is still visible, but its banded structure has broken down. The region is more amorphous, although some hint of the banded structure can still be discerned. The amount of scatter is greatly increased, and there is a slight darkening in the inner part of the ellipse, corresponding to the fact that, with switching of roles taking place, if on an irregular basis, does lead the element to spend an above average amount of time at small energy levels. In fact, the well defined outer boundary of the ellipse corresponds to the maximum energy state, that is, the state wherein all of the system's energy is concentrated for a brief moment in this particular element. Points outside this ellipse

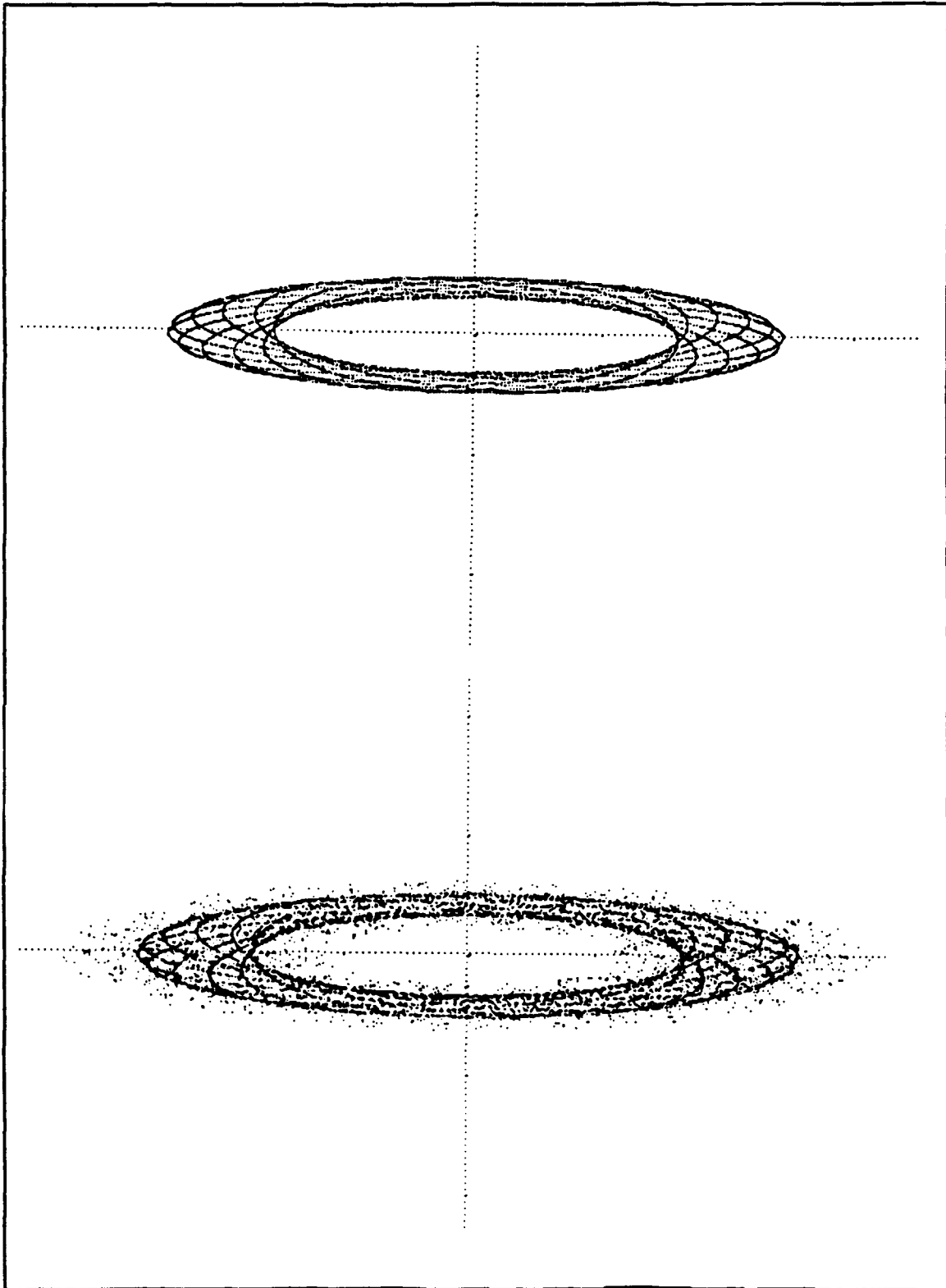


Figure III.10. Phase diagram for just below and above lower threshold.

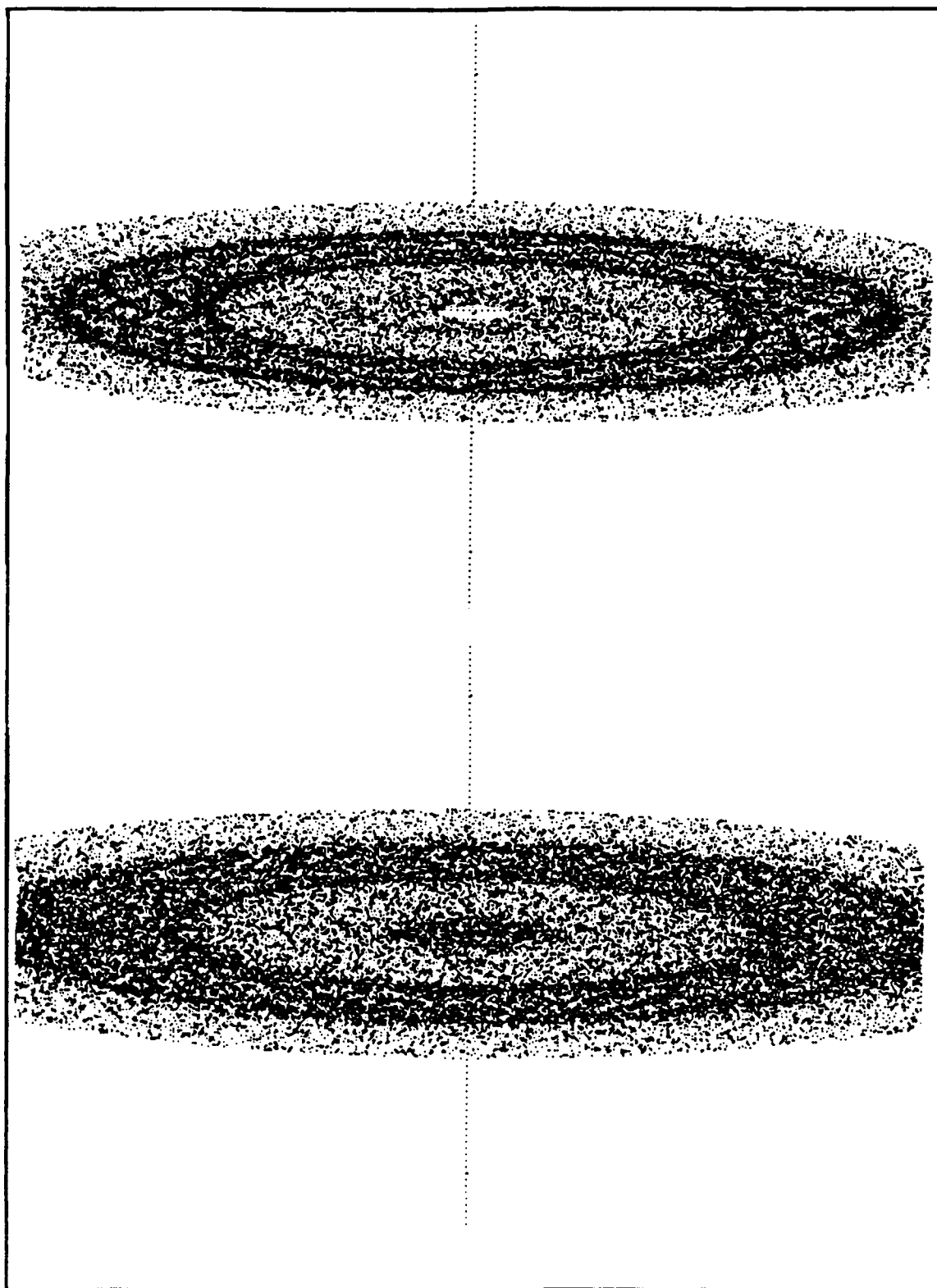


Figure III.11. Phase diagrams for 51% and 75% of band.

are not possible in a free system with the initial conditions given. The fact that this boundary is seen here and not in the previous phase diagram is due to the failure, low in the weakly unstable band, of the driving element to drive the other until it is completely spent (at which point the other element has all or nearly all of the system energy). Switching of roles cannot take place until this outer ellipse is reached at least occasionally; with the ellipse so well defined, the existence of switching, even chaotic, is reasonable. At 75% of band, the second diagram in Figure III.11, the regular switching of the system is readily apparent from the existence of the dark orb in the center and the dark ellipse without structure that exists halfway out to the maximum energy ellipse. Thus the use of phase diagrams corroborates and illuminates what has been learned from the time and frequency domain results.

Figures III.12, III.13 and III.14 show the behavior of lattice elements just above the Benjamin-Feir threshold. In Figure III.12, the time series of the first element of a lattice with 0.15 coupling is seen to exhibit regular switching, but the period of the switching is variable about an average value. When compared to the series in Figure III.5, which used an identical time step, it can be seen that the average period is roughly the same; in fact, this value appears to be a function of coupling only. One could visualize the envelope of this regular switching behavior as simply a dnoidal wave (Figure III.5) with kinks between every peak, although this is rather a bold step of imagination. Figure III.13 shows various spectra for the maximum coupling case (the same lattice as in Figures III.3 and III.4). The third

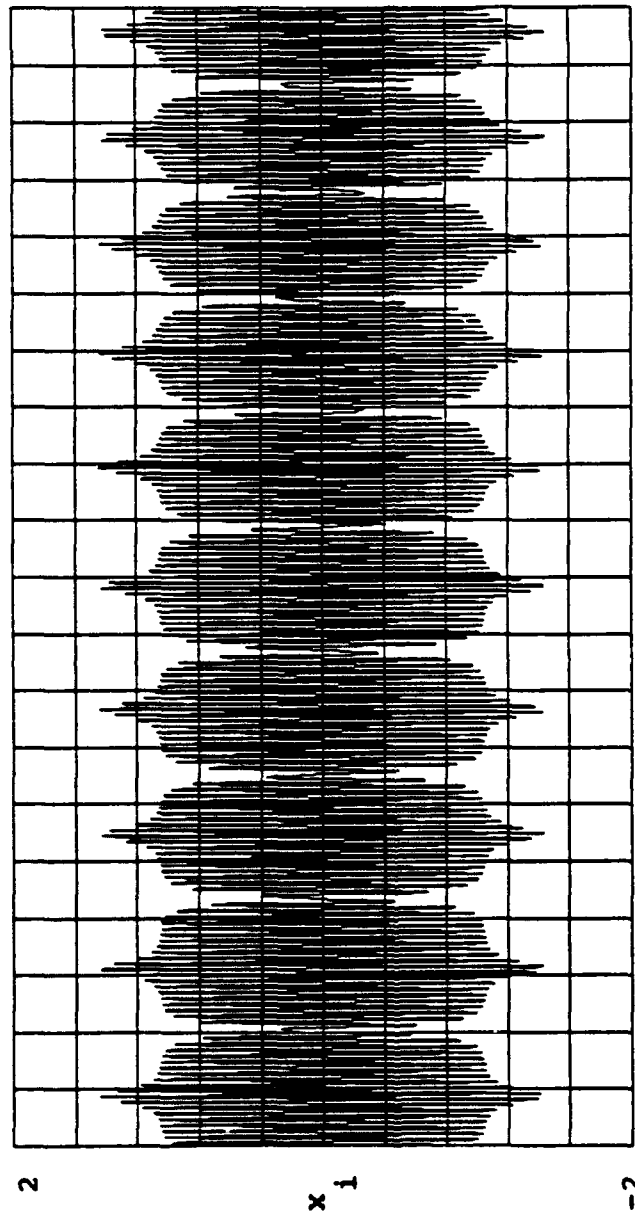


Figure III.12. Time series, $N=2$ lattice just above Benjamin-Feir threshold.

spectrum was the last taken; the growth of sidebands is clearly evident. Finally, Figure III.14 shows the very diffuse phase diagram. One can see readily, as in Figure III.11, that switching is occurring, but there is little else to glean from the phase diagram.

This rather detailed look at the band between the approximate $N=2$ theory threshold of instability and the Benjamin-Feir continuum theory of instability support the idea that the two theories are complementary. When the first threshold is reached, a weak instability begins to manifest itself due to the passing of the parametric excitation threshold amplitude. As amplitude increases, a chaotic boundary region is traversed wherein switching between driving and driven states occurs irregularly; this boundary region passes into a region where switching is regularly, although not precisely periodic. Above this, one reaches the Benjamin-Feir threshold, where the mechanism for strong instability is the dumping of energy into successive sidebands. The transition between the two types of instability is not clear or dramatic, but it is apparently real.

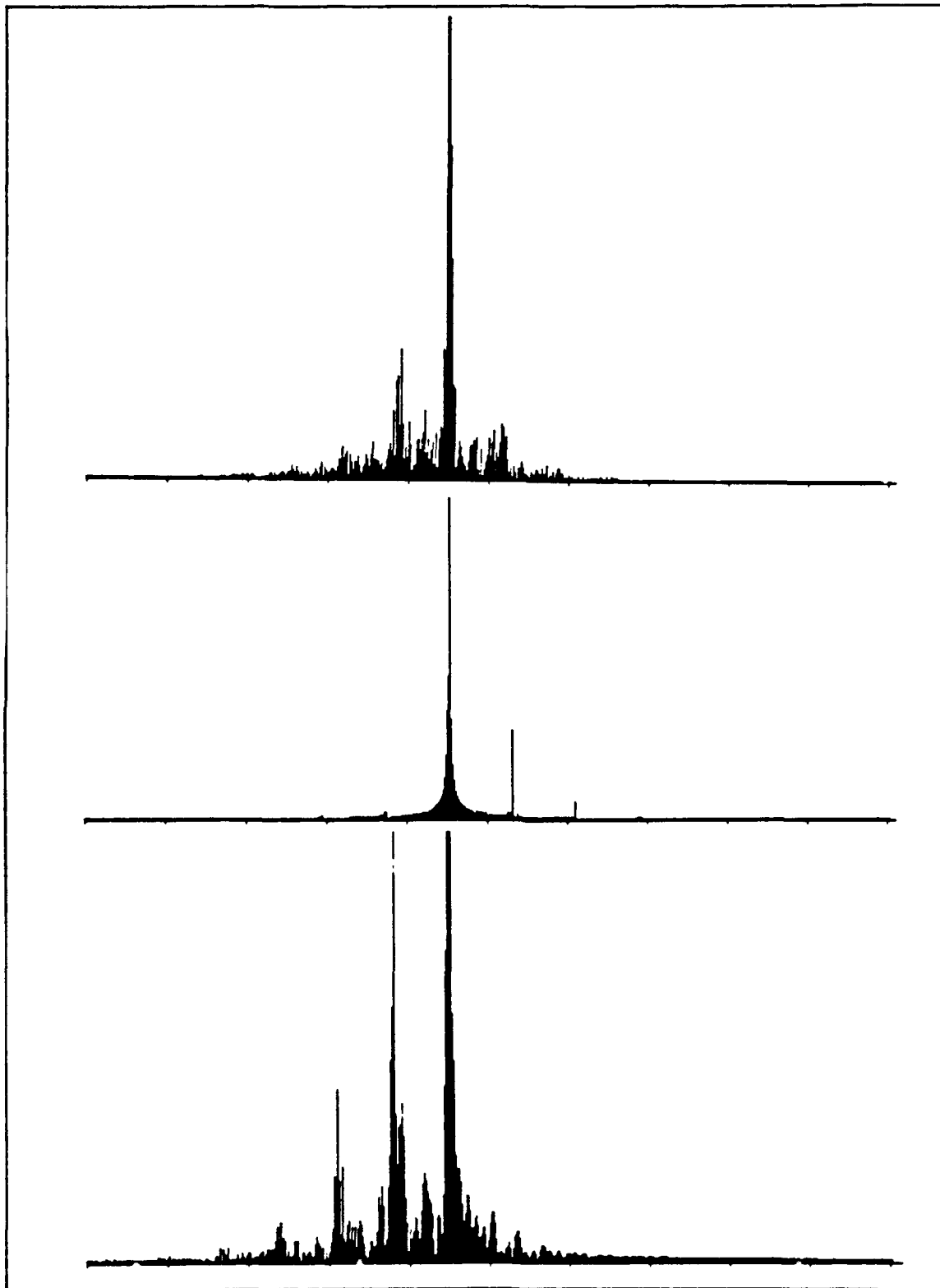


Figure III.13. Spectra for element just above Benjamin-Feir threshold.

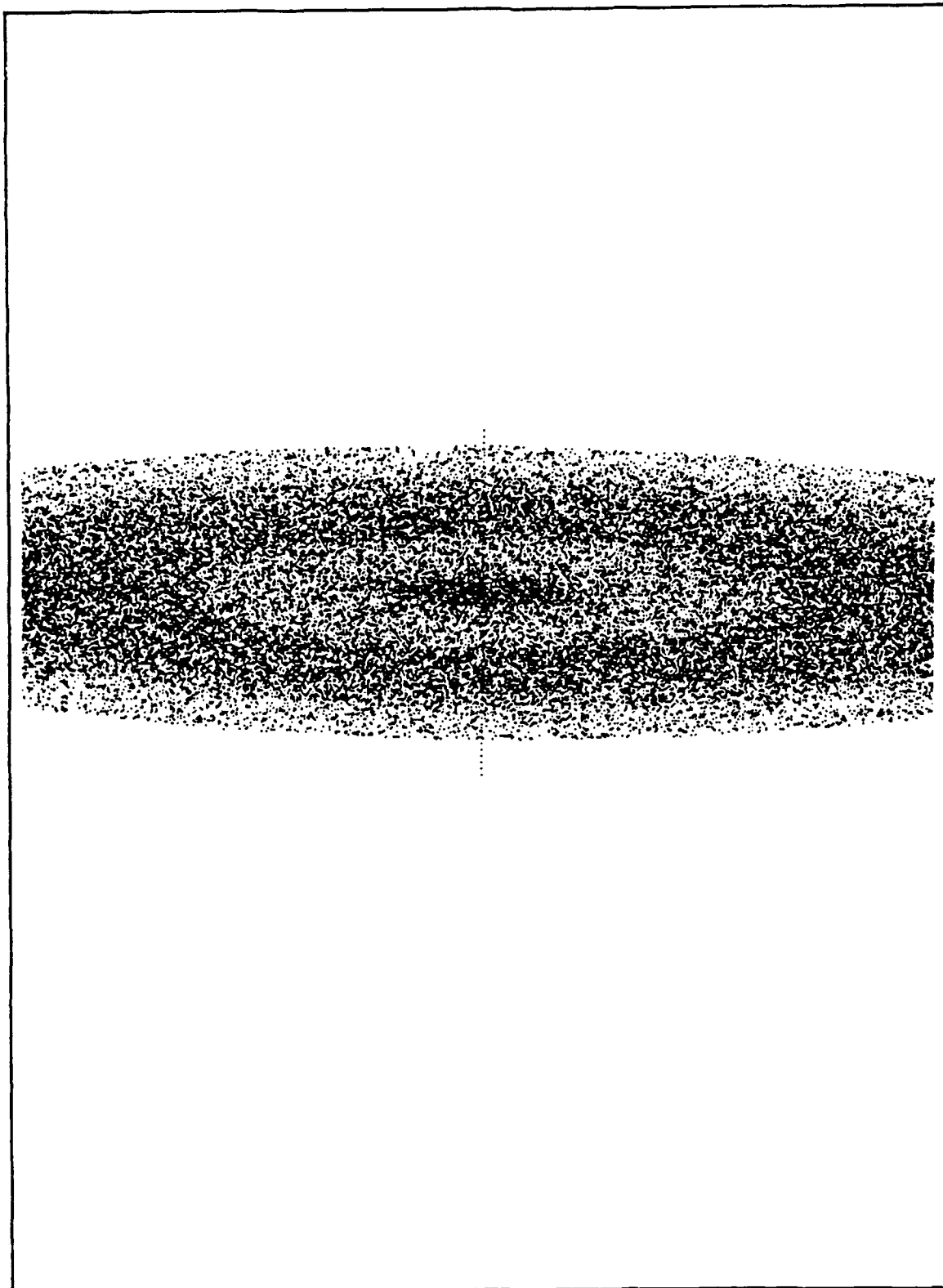


Fig. III.14. Phase diagram for an element just above Benjamin-Feir threshold.

D. THEORY OF CUTOFF MODE SOLITONS.

1. NLS Solitons in the Cutoff Lattice.

Larrazza and Putterman [1984] showed that, for the static case, with frequency below the linear lower cutoff frequency and a softening lattice, a breather soliton is a solution:

$$A(x) = \left(\frac{2(\omega_0^2 - \omega^2)}{3\alpha} \right) \operatorname{sech} \left[\left(\frac{\omega_0^2 - \omega^2}{c^2} \right)^{\frac{1}{2}} (x - x_0) \right]. \quad \text{III.D.1}$$

When the sign of the nonlinearity is changed to hardening, a solution was shown to be, in the $p=1$ limit:

$$A(x) = \left(\frac{\omega^2 - \omega_0^2}{-3\alpha} \right)^{\frac{1}{2}} \tanh \left[\left(\frac{\omega^2 - \omega_0^2}{2c^2} \right)^{\frac{1}{2}} (x - x_0) \right] \quad \text{III.D.2}$$

(Denardo [1990]). When considering the upper cutoff case, Denardo showed that

$$A(x) = \left(\frac{\omega_1^2 - \omega^2}{2c^2} \right)^{\frac{1}{2}} \tanh \left[\left(\frac{\omega_1^2 - \omega^2}{2c^2} \right)^{\frac{1}{2}} (x - x_0) \right] \quad \text{III.D.3}$$

is a kink soliton solution of the NLS equation for a softening lattice, if ω_0 is replaced by ω_1 and

$$A(x) = \left(\frac{2(\omega^2 - \omega_1^2)}{-3\alpha} \right)^{\frac{1}{2}} \text{sech} \left[\left(\frac{\omega^2 - \omega_1^2}{c^2} \right)^{\frac{1}{2}} (x - x_0) \right] \quad \text{III.D.4}$$

is a breather for the hardening lattice.

With the exception of this last solution, Denardo [1990] observed all of the soliton solutions for the NLS approximation of the discrete lattice experimentally. However, for the pendulum model results, the observations were only qualitative, since it was not possible to accurately measure the intrinsic lattice parameters of damping and coupling, and the coupling itself was probably not truly linear. This in fact was the starting point that motivated the work of this thesis -- to verify the experimental results numerically and compare them with the theoretical predictions. This work is presented in the next section.

Before we proceed to the numerical work, some observations on the symmetry properties of the theoretical predictions and their underlying physical basis need to be made. The symmetry is dual for the cutoff modes -- there is symmetry about zero in α , and there is symmetry from upper to lower cutoff. We note by examining the equations for the various soliton solutions listed that the parameters are identical for both breathers, with the exception of substitution of frequencies and sign changes which are necessary because of the changes in α and in position on the dispersion curve. The same holds true for the kink solutions.

E. NUMERICAL OBSERVATIONS OF SOLITONS IN CUTOFF MODES.

In his experimental work, Denardo [1990] showed that three of the four solitons predicted by the NLS theory for cutoff lattices did indeed exist. He was unable to confirm the existence of one, the upper cutoff hardening breather. In addition, he mapped the drive planes of the solitons he observed. These mappings consisted of varying drive frequency and amplitude and determining the region in the plane so mapped in which a given soliton was stable. His lattice work necessarily suffered from a lack of quantitative comparison to theory, however, inasmuch as the actual coupling and damping parameters of the lattice were not determined. This was the initial starting point of the research presented here -- to provide quantitative corroboration of Denardo's results and to compare them with the NLS theory. This effort in turn led to many additional areas of exploration, which are detailed in later chapters.

Numerically, all four of the NLS solitons were found to exist in stable states. An additional soliton-like structure, a hardening upper cutoff kink, was also identified. In the four NLS cases, the agreement to theory was found to be excellent, with the degree of departure from theory apparently diminishing linearly as the time step is decreased. At a time step of one percent of a period, the error was less than one percent, and it got better from there (see Appendix A). This close match to theory also naturally led to the width-amplitude product being constant for given lattice parameters, as indeed it was.

In the detailed discussion of lattice model results in this and later chapters, we consider scaled displacements such that the magnitude of the nonlinear coefficient is unity, with only the sign varying from hardening to softening systems. The natural frequency for a single uncoupled oscillator is also always set to unity, except in Chapter V, where nonuniformities are discussed. Thus, the lattice in each case is characterized by coupling and damping constants. The drive is characterized by its amplitude and frequency. Thus, the parameter space is four dimensional; however, only a small part was investigated here. It is also important to note early in the discussion of actual lattice results that they are not unique, for a given point in four dimensional parameter space. For a given point, there can exist no solitons, there may exist one or more soliton solutions, and the solitons that do exist may exist in groups or singly. Thus initial conditions play a critical role in the ability or inability to achieve a desired state. Also, since the program used was highly interactive, it was possible to approach a point in parameter space in several different ways, each having slightly different results. As an examination of the tuning curves for parametrically driven oscillators makes clear, for example, the system is much more sensitive in general to drive frequency changes than to drive amplitude changes.

To give a detailed example of the challenge offered by the complexity of the problem, consider the attempt to reach a state that is in the upper left corner of the drive plane region of stability for a structure – that is, a state where drive frequency is low and drive amplitude high. If one tries to reach this state from a precursor state that is high in amplitude but at a higher frequency, the transition will be

impractical or impossible (I do not know which), since, for any reasonable frequency increment, the transient at high drive amplitude is far too great, and the system invariably either blows up or transforms into an unrelated lattice structure. If, on the other hand, one approached the state by starting from a higher frequency, lower amplitude point and moving frequency to the desired value the transients will be manageable, and one can then easily increase the drive amplitude to achieve the desired state. This simple example points out the characteristics of this work which made it very much like trying to chart out an unexplored sea. It also emphasized the great value of interactive numerical analysis. Very few of the results achieved in this thesis would have been possible if a traditional numerical routine where one puts in a parameter choice and gets an output, then repeats the process, is used.

We begin our look at cutoff solitons with the NLS cases, shown in Figures III.15 through III.18. The upper and lower cutoff solitons are, theoretically, symmetrical, as discussed before, so we will analyze in detail only the hardening cases. They offer a richer harvest, since they are not constrained by a potential energy barrier, and so can exist at arbitrarily high amplitudes. The theoretical plot for each is shown, and the good agreement is apparent. The evident difference at the low amplitude elements in the kinks are characteristic of all of the numerics -- for a given time step, the overshoot error is larger for smaller amplitudes. As in the larger amplitudes, however, the smaller amplitude elements can be brought arbitrarily close to theory by shrinking the time increment sufficiently.

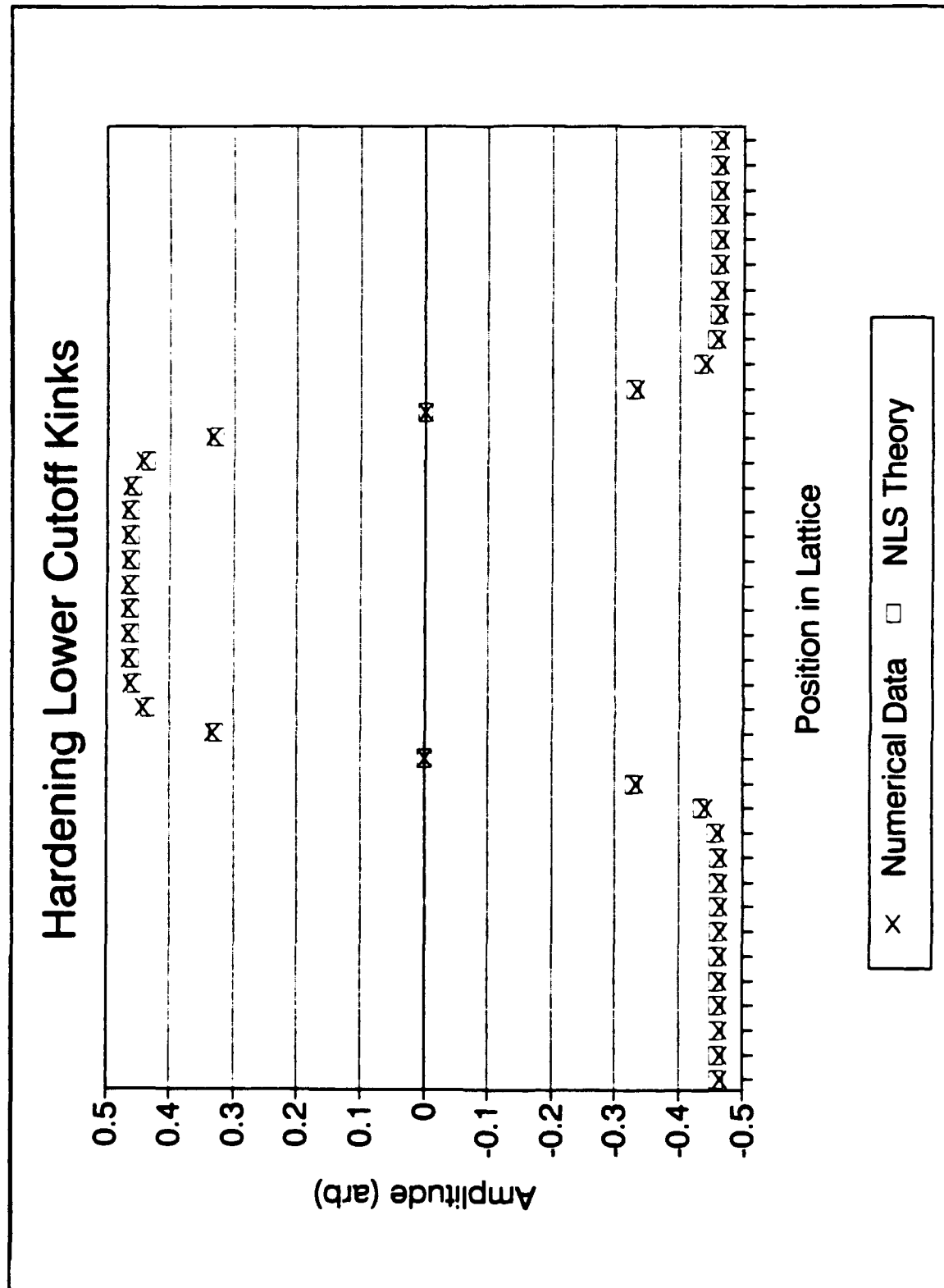


Figure III.15. Lower cutoff hardening kink example.

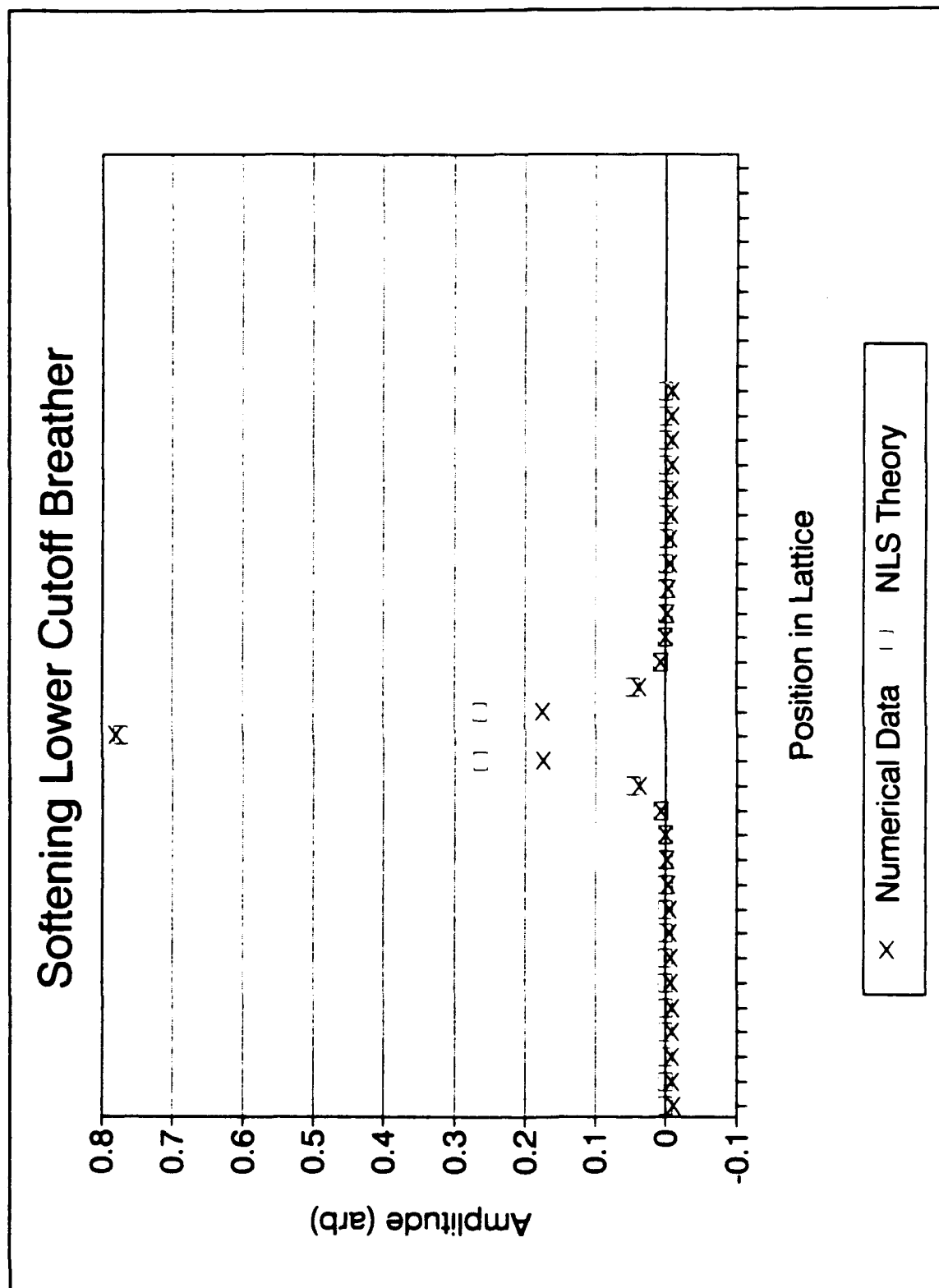


Figure III.16. Lower cutoff softening breather example.

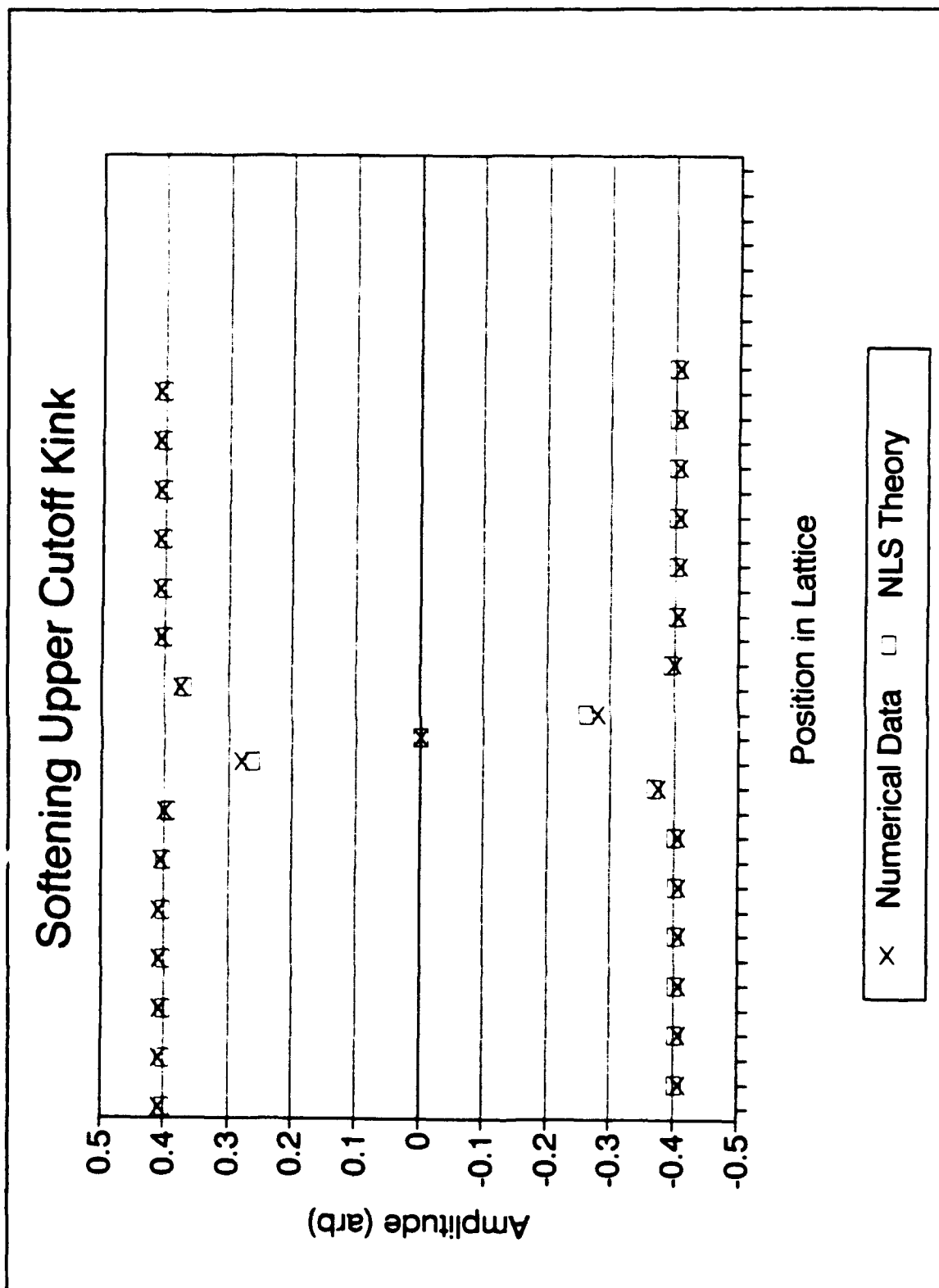


Figure III.17. Softening upper cutoff kink example.

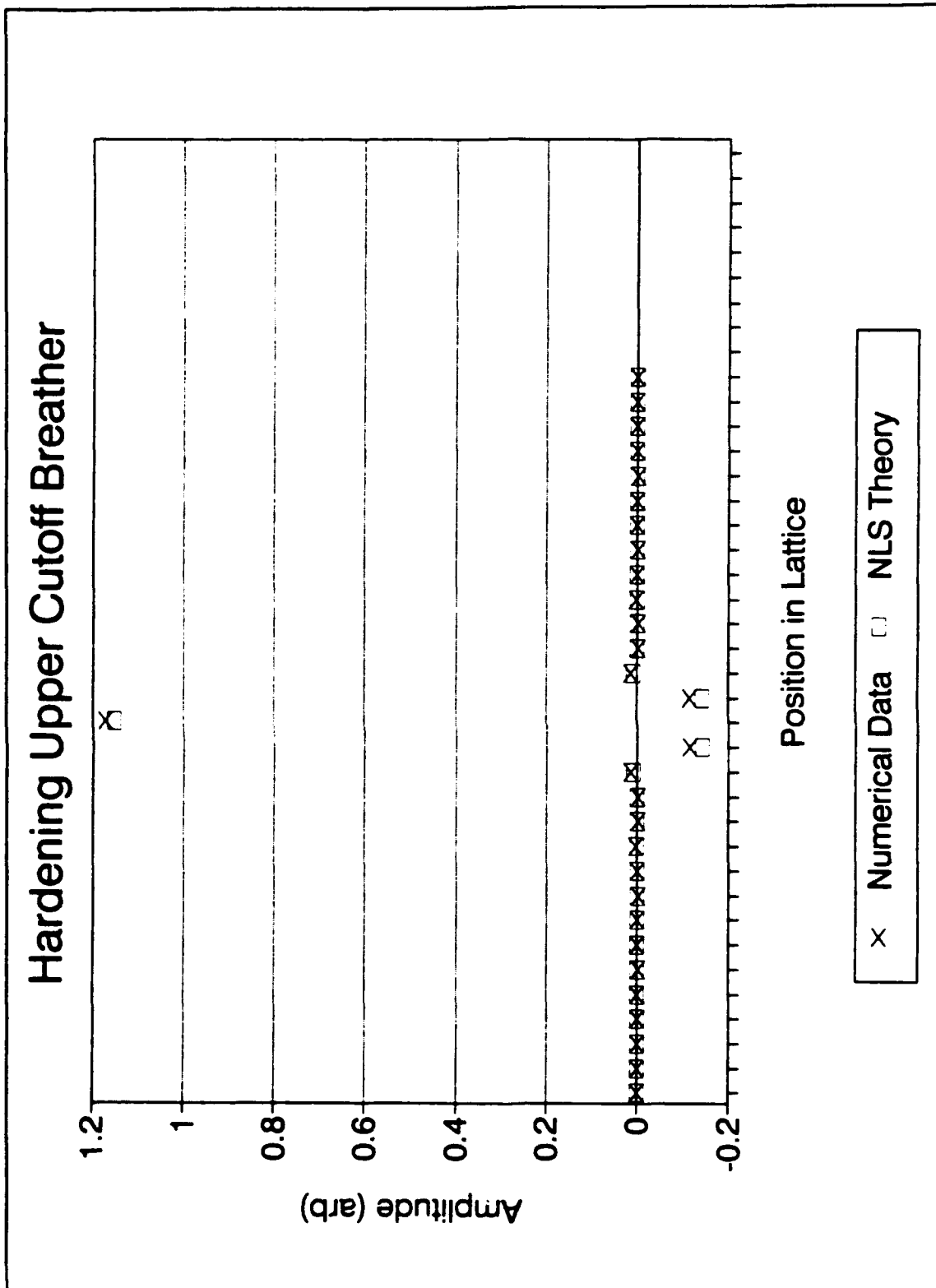


Figure III.18. Hardening upper cutoff kink example.

While these solitons were somewhat difficult to achieve initially, they are remarkably robust structures. In fact, in the case of the kink, the only way to get rid of it is to annihilate it with an antikink (which was done numerically on numerous occasions), or to destroy the cutoff mode. When one increases or decreases the drive amplitude, the kinks sharpen or broaden accordingly, while maintaining their position and identity. However, there is one way that one can force a significant change in the kinks. As the amplitude is increased, the kink sharpens until it gets to a point where the structure with a node element is unstable to random perturbations. The kink undergoes a transition, and arrives at a state where the node is between two elements, as in Figure III.19. This is effectively a one half lattice site shift in the position of the kink. This phenomenon, which will be seen again in Chapter IV, is not well understood theoretically; in fact, as the studies in Chapter IV will make clear, there is in some circumstances a definite preference in the discrete lattice for the masses to be at certain definite points of the underlying waveform (i.e., the nodes or the peaks, etc.). An interesting phenomenon of the breather, noted experimentally by Denardo, is the existence in the drive plane (Figure III.20) of a region where a quasiperiodic state exists (Denardo [1990]). Further, if one proceeds through this quasiperiodic region, a region where a highly self-focused state exists is reached. This state was characterized in the experimental lattice by one element oscillating with an amplitude of about 50 degrees while the two adjacent moved slightly and the remainder of the lattice was at rest. This behavior is remarkable for a system that is driven by a global parametric drive --

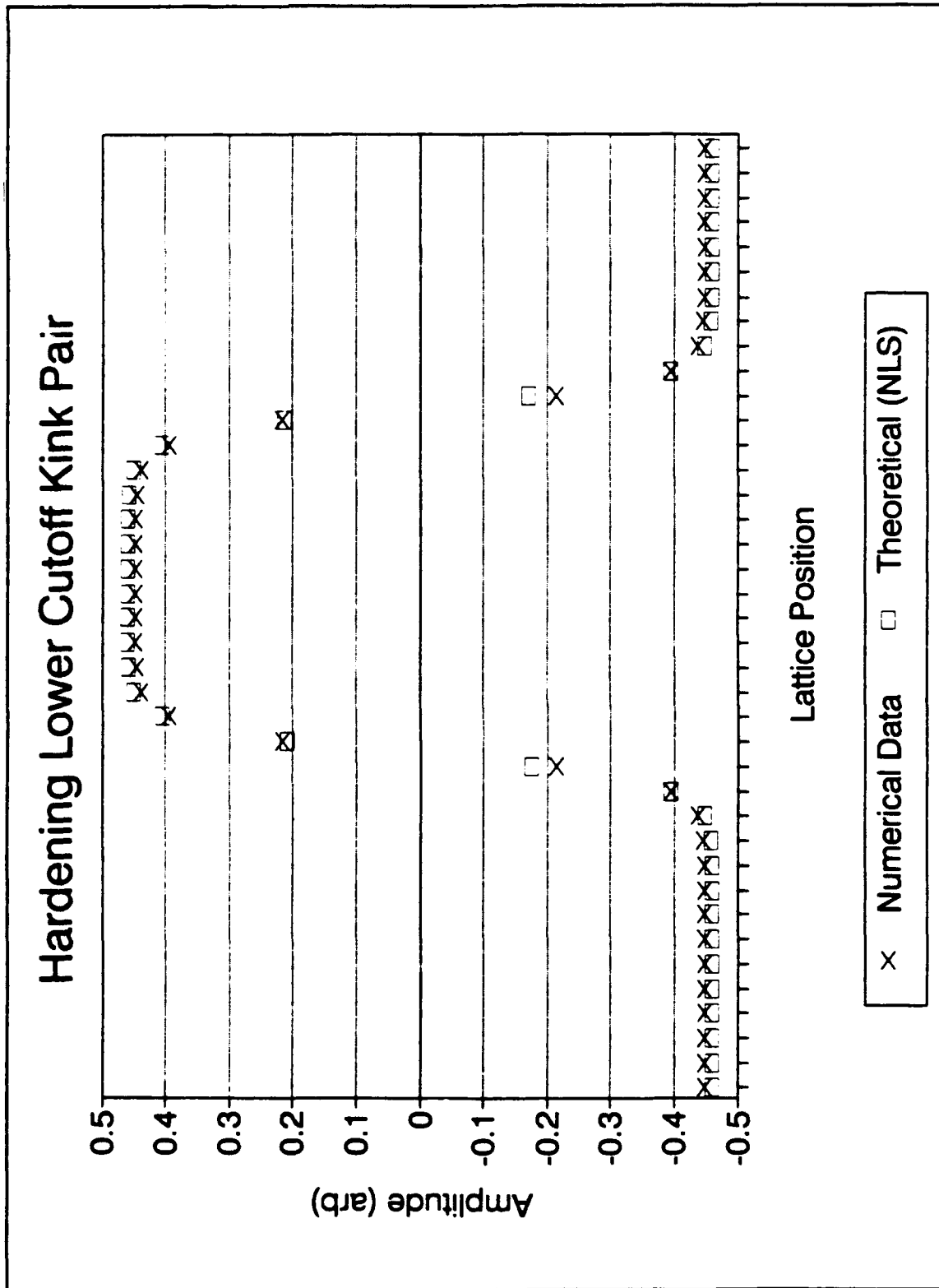


Figure III.19. Hardening lower cutoff kink with offset node.

attempt was made to map the drive plane to the extent done experimentally by Denardo (work which will be done by a follow on student), the existence of these two states was verified quite early on numerically. Figure III.21 shows the self-focused hardening breather. Since this lattice is numerical and not subject to the realities of physical systems, the ratio of amplitudes between the main and adjacent elements is remarkably greater than 1000!

The quasiperiodic state is interesting in its own right, of course. The period is *observed to be stable in these systems; the amplitude of the large element grows and decays in a regular cycle.* These observations correspond to experimental observations made earlier by Denardo [1990]. This quasiperiodic state can be understood, I believe, as a transition zone similar in general concept (although not in detail) to the transition zone between kinks with and without nodes at masses (there is a range of parameters where either state can exist; it is not until one leaves this range that the transition takes place from one to the other). To the right and below the quasiperiodic region in the drive plane, the breather essentially occupies five lattice sites. Above and to the left of the quasiperiodic region, it occupies only three sites. In the quasiperiodic region, it seems that the two elements adjacent to the high amplitude element first drive the fourth and fifth elements, and are in turn driven by the main element. At some point, they cease to drive the outer elements, which then drive the inner elements until they decay and the process repeats. Thus the quasiperiodicity may be viewed as a *nonlinear beating process similar in character to the case studied in the two element lattice in Section 3.* These self-

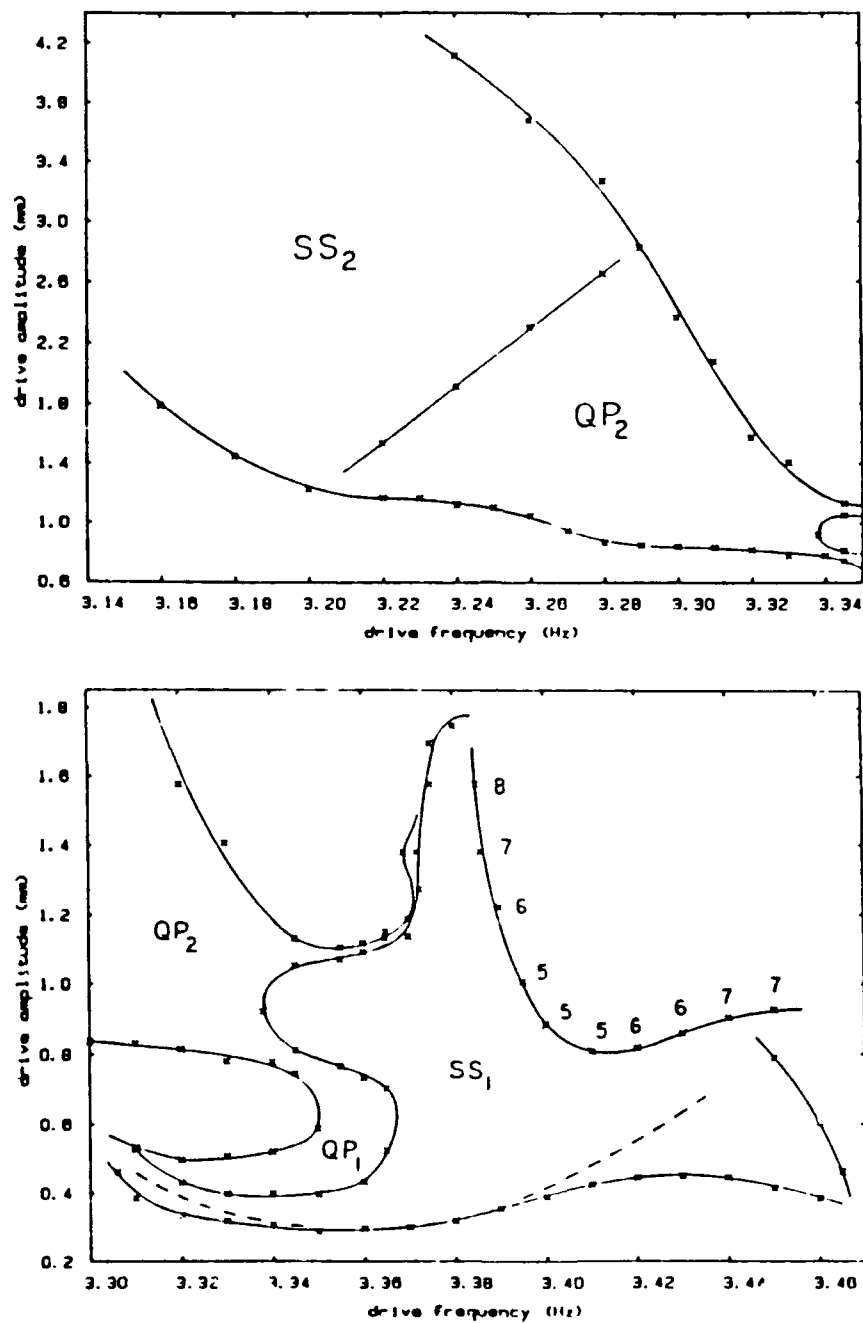


Figure III.20. Drive plane for upper cutoff breather (from Denardo [1990])

links, and may in some similar form be significant as biological solitons, although these connections are speculative.

The fifth type of cutoff soliton was discovered quite by accident. It is a "positive energy" hardening upper cutoff kink, shown in Figure III.22. By positive energy, we refer to the fact that the total energy of a lattice with this kink is greater than that of a uniform lattice (the NLS kinks are by contrast negative energy kinks; in fact, the ability exists with the lattice program to measure the energy of kinks and other structures. This was not done due to time constraints, and may be an item of interest in follow on work). Due to the late date of their discovery, only preliminary study of them has been conducted. They are effectively "brightons", which are solutions of the form

$$A(x) = K \sqrt{1 + a \operatorname{sech}^2(Z(x - x_0))} \quad \text{III.E.1}$$

where K and Z are dependent on lattice parameters (Larraza and Putterman [1991]). Exact expressions for K and Z have not yet been derived; this theory is for conceptual purposes. Additionally, these brightons appear to involve violations of the Benjamin-Feir stability criteria; this will be explored in more detail later.

The brightons, like the rest of the cutoff mode solitons, are remarkably robust structures. They maintained their identity even when the time step was increased to 25 percent of a period and a perturbation of five percent was added. Topologically, the smallest brighton is one in which exactly two elements are

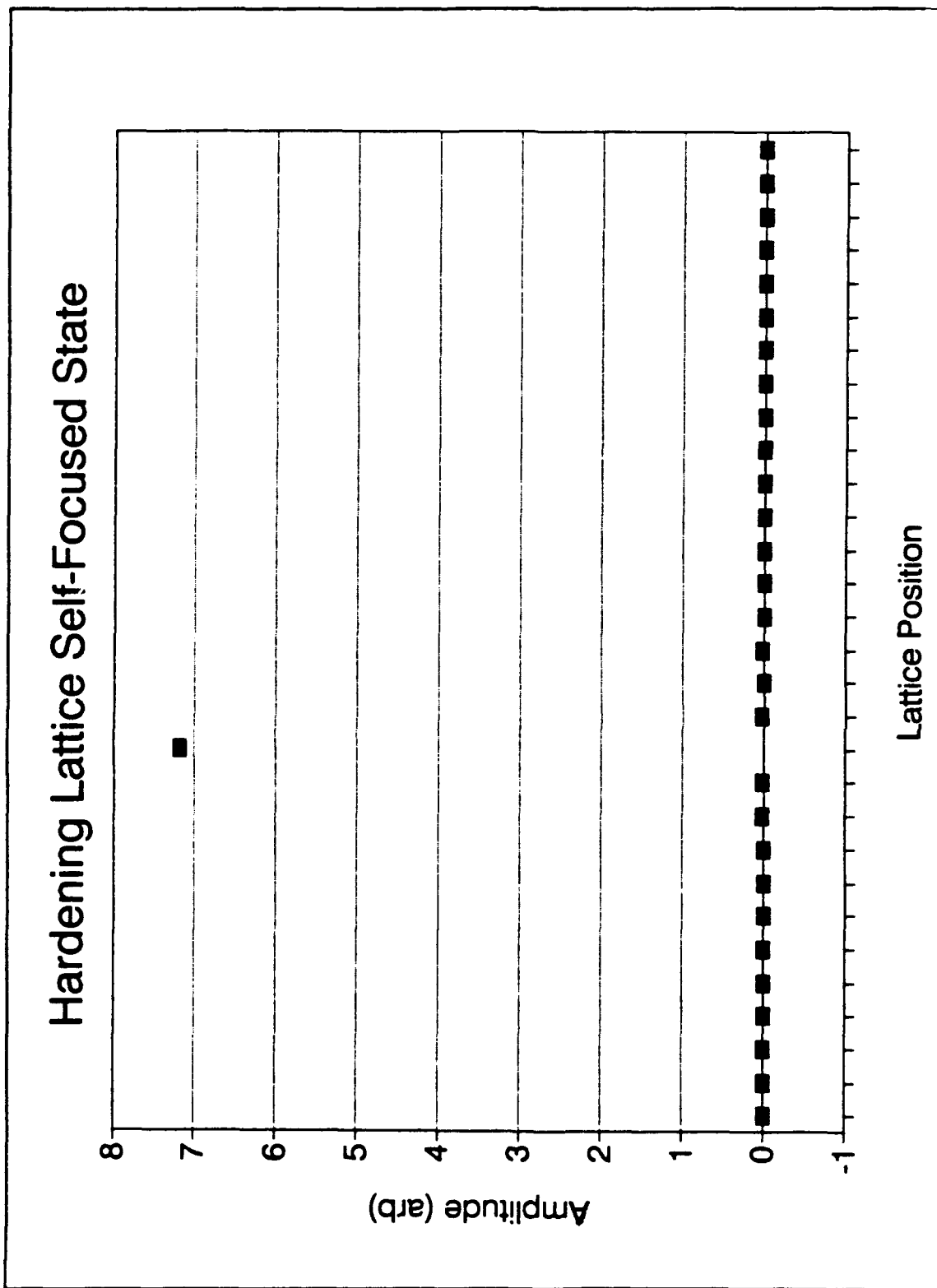


Figure III.21. Hardening upper cutoff self-focused state.

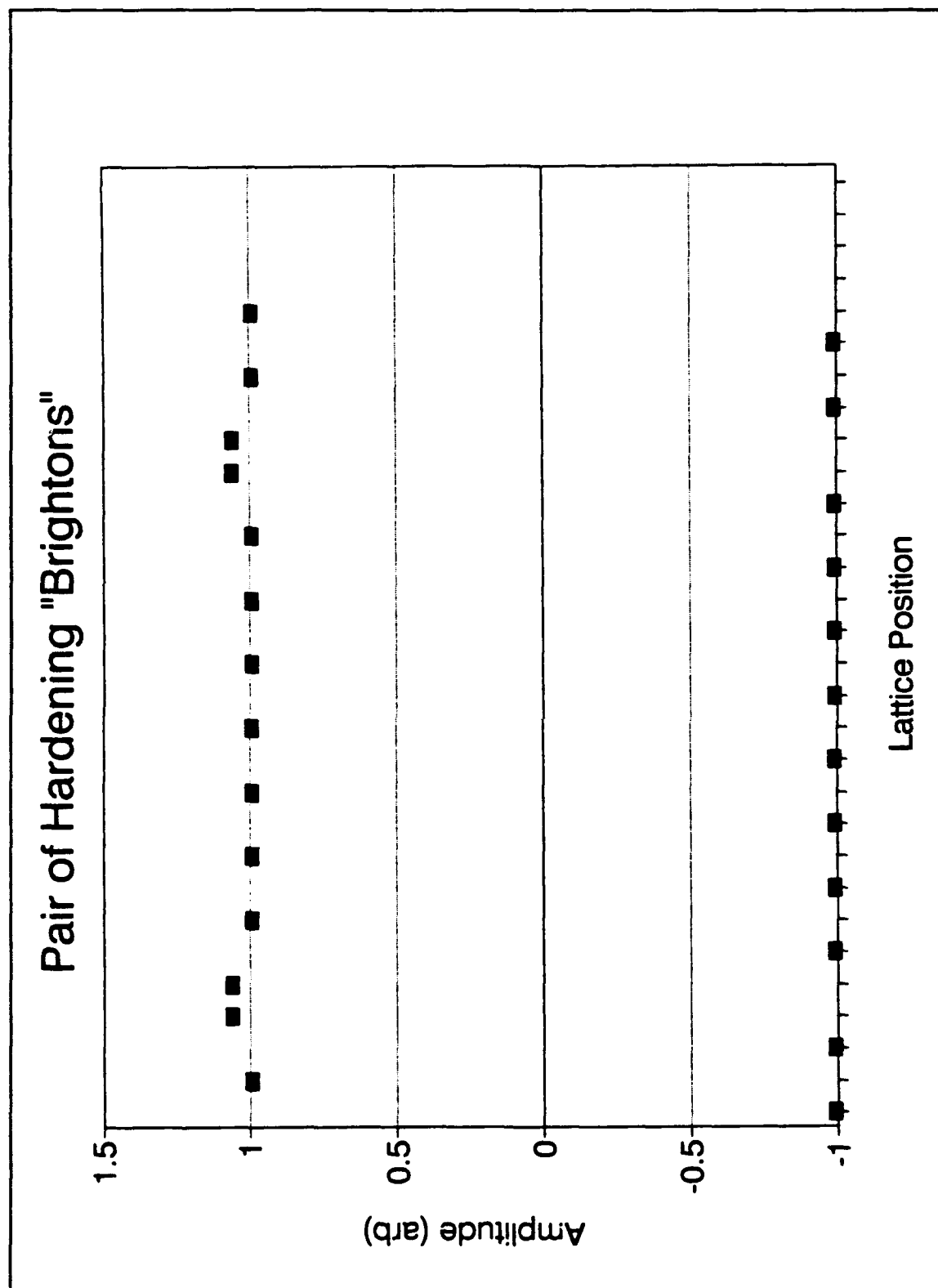


Figure III.22. Low amplitude hardening upper cutoff brighton.

positioning occurred at lower amplitudes. As the drive amplitude was lowered to 0.1, the structure of Figure III.22 broke up and underwent a prolonged and confused transient, ending up in the state shown in Figure III.23. This is a very complex state. The brighton appears to have become a darkon, but is equally clearly not an NLS hyperbolic tangent kink. The mode itself has undergone a transition into something which preserves wavelength at two but is otherwise quite different. It is not merely shifted spatially, for no shift could give the amplitude division shown and still have wavelength two. The only way to describe it is to think of it as an upper cutoff mode that has a DC offset, which may also explain the transition of brighton to darkon. Why this should be so is not understood even slightly at this time.

It remains to be seen whether an analogous structure exists in the softening lower cutoff mode; in fact, there may exist many more solitons in the "simple" cutoff modes. This complexity in the simplest of modes, which can be described by a relatively simple evolution equation in which all but the second spatial derivatives can be ignored should lead one to expect a far more difficult time dealing with intermediate modes, the subject of the next chapter.

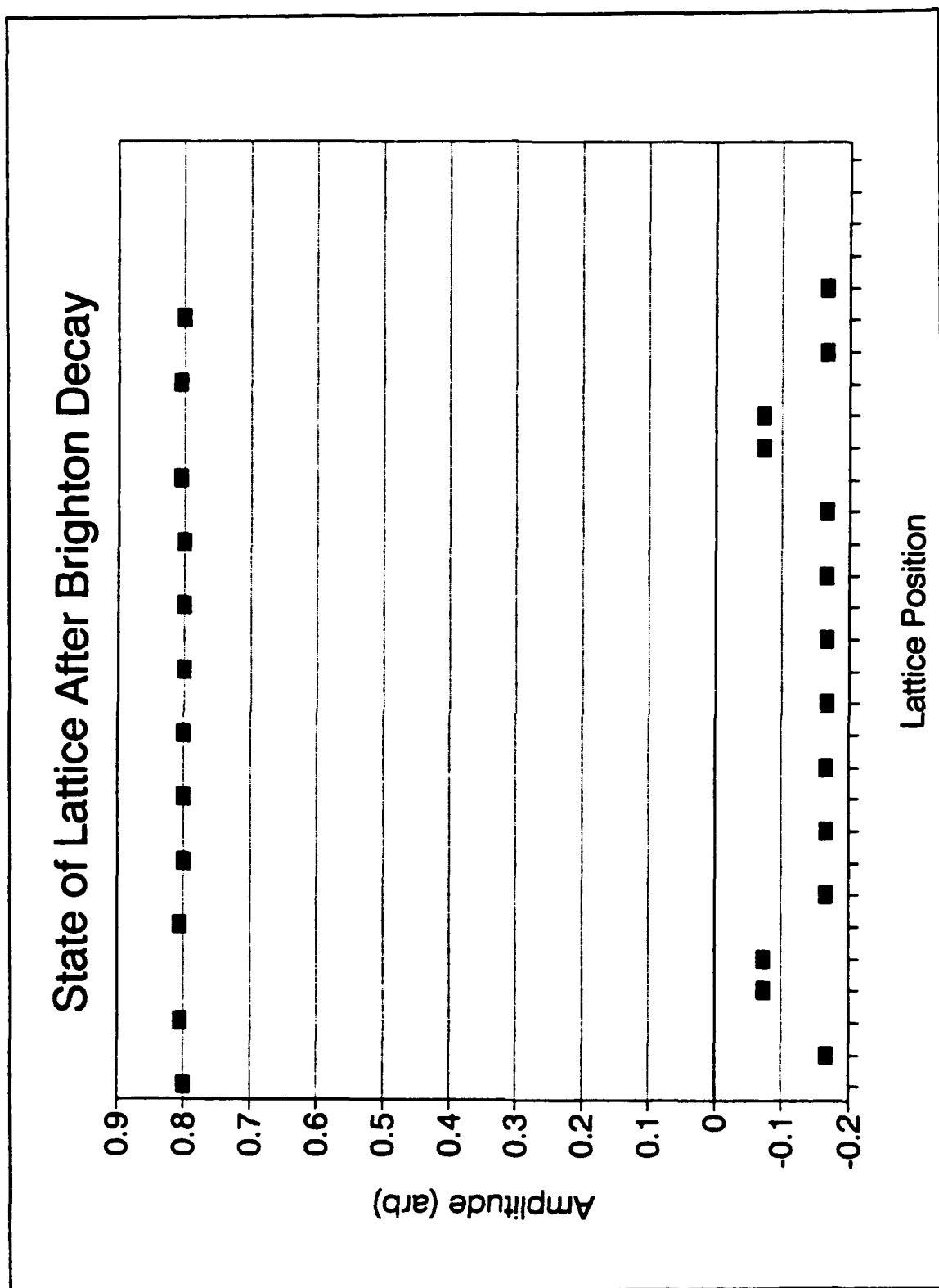


Figure III.24. Final darkon like state after brighton decay.

IV. THE NONLINEAR LATTICE II: INTERMEDIATE MODES

A. THE "LAMBDA FOUR" MODES.

The numerical study of solitons in intermediate modes requires first that the modes themselves be understood. It turns out, at least for the "lambda four" modes (those whose wavelength is four), this is not a trivial matter. The plural is used because there exist a variety of manifestations, each of which has its own characteristics and preferred region in the drive plane. The lambda four case was chosen to follow the cutoff modes in order of study because it had been much observed experimentally. The mode has a natural linear frequency given by

$$\omega_4 = \sqrt{\omega_0 + 2\gamma}, \quad \text{IV.A.1}$$

There are three known stable states for the lambda four pure mode, shown in Figures IV.1, IV.2, and IV.3. During the study of these modes, they each acquired a descriptive vernacular name. The first to be studied was the "plus zero minus zero" or "+0-0" mode, shown in Figure IV.1. It was during the study of this mode numerically, and in parallel on the experimental lattice, that the preferential existence of the "plus plus minus minus" or "+ +--" mode in certain regions of the drive plane was discovered. The third stable version (there are presumably many more...) was discovered during the numerical study of the "+0-0" mode drive plane.

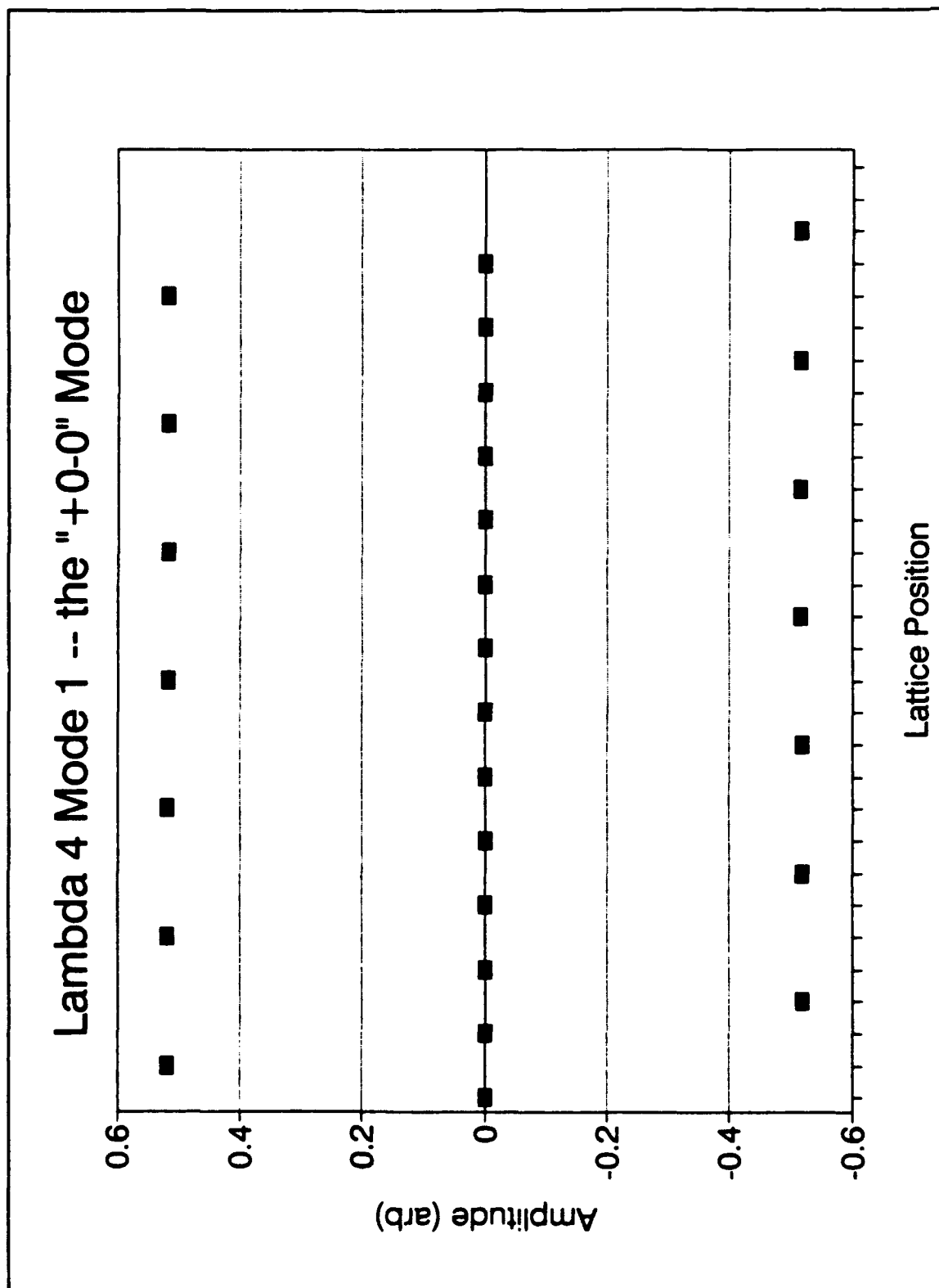


Fig IV.1. A lambda four mode -- the "+0-0" Mode.

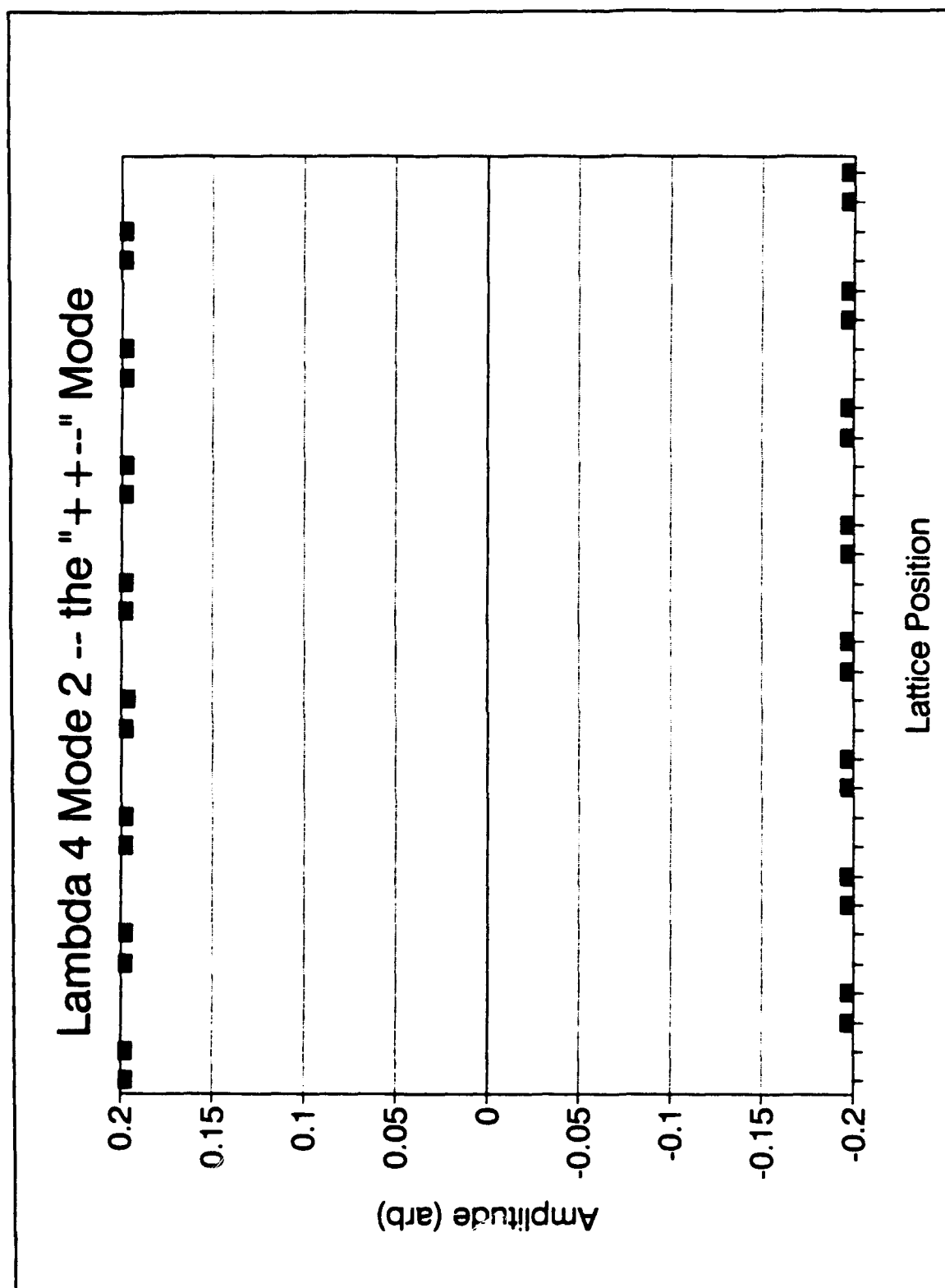


Fig IV.2. A lambda four mode -- the "+ +--" Mode.

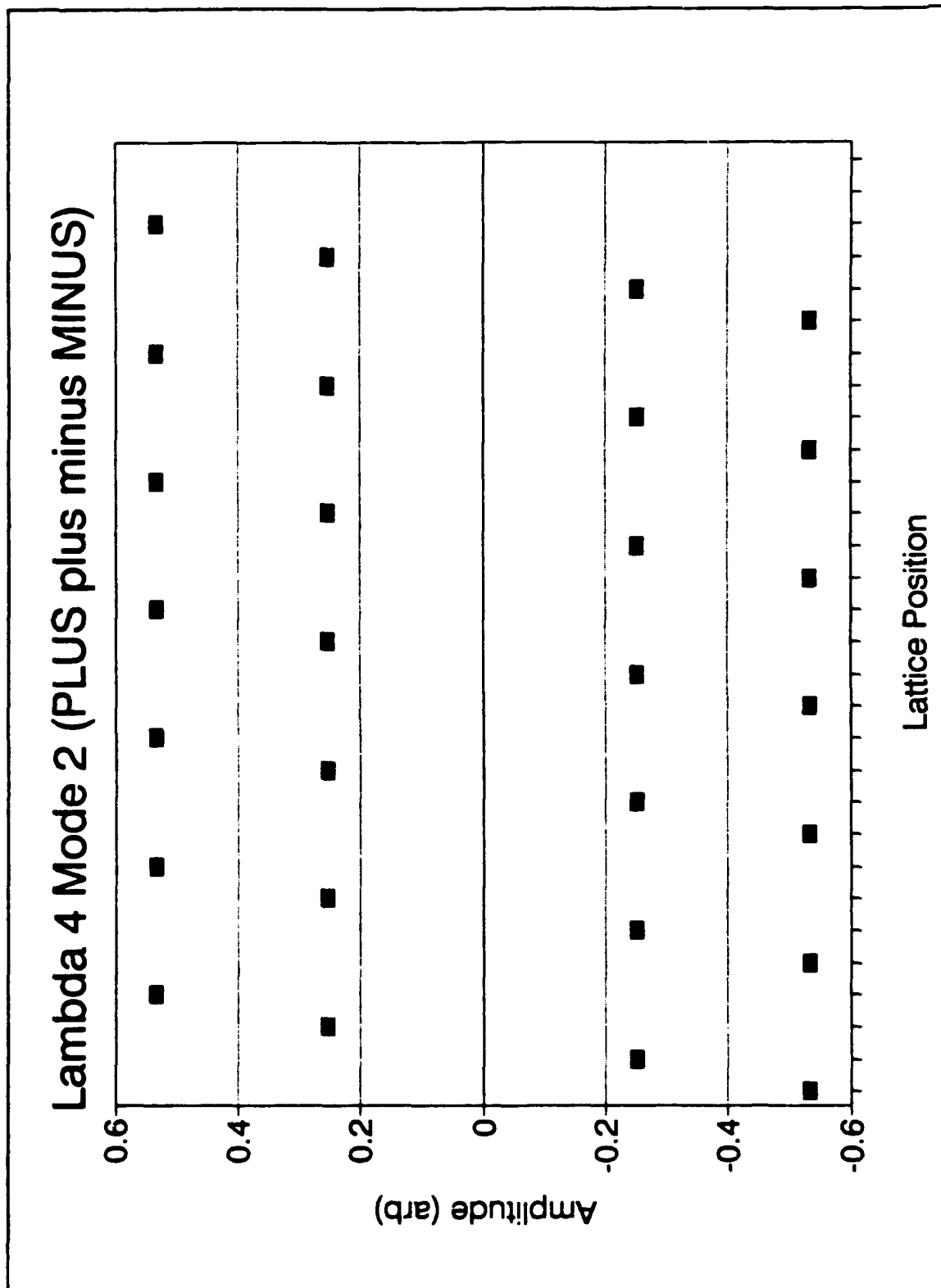


Fig. IV.3. A lambda four mode -- the "Plus plus minus MINUS" Mode.

The drive plane for the "+0-0" state of the lambda four mode was studied extensively as a prelude to the study of kink drive planes (the drive planes for the other two states have not been studied systematically yet). Figure IV.4 shows the drive plane study results for one set of initial conditions. The lattice used was of forty elements. It is probable that, for a lattice of different size, the exact positions of the lines shown may vary, but how or whether they actually vary is unknown. The very linear nature of several of the boundaries of the drive plane region of stability was quite a surprise; the reason for the linearity is not understood.

The behavior of the lattice at each of the boundaries of the drive plane region of stability proved to be very interesting, and provided much evidence to aid in the understanding of the lattice's characteristics in general that proved valuable when we moved on to the study of kinks.

The behavior of the lattice at the lower boundaries proved to be the most complex. For all drive frequencies less than 0.98, the lattice went unstable when it reached the boundary shown. The instability was slow to develop. This instability is caused by the commencement, when amplitude is lowered to the curve, of very slow and growing motion of the line of nodes (the 0's in "+0-0"). This is also the change that characterizes lattice behavior when the lower limits of the region of stability of the uniform mode are reached for drive frequencies greater than 0.98; however, the instability does not grow without bound there and will be discussed separately.

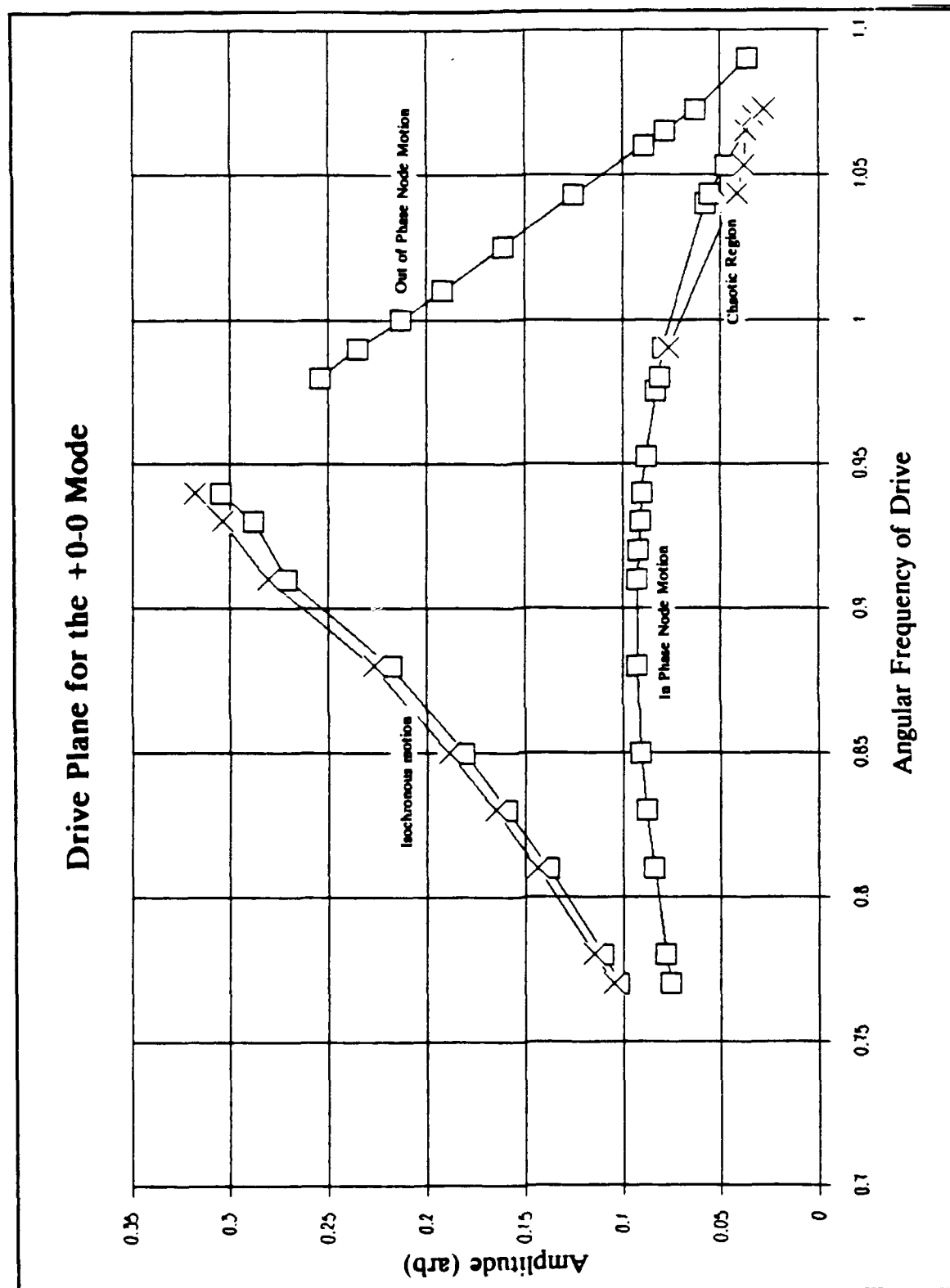


Fig. IV.4. Drive plane for "+0-0" Mode.

That this in phase motion of nodes begins to occur and that it grows can be understood qualitatively by considering the potential energy in which the elements rest. In the region of stability, the nodes are stable because they rest at the bottom of a potential energy well caused by the coupling to the adjacent high amplitude elements. In the pure mode, these adjacent elements have identical amplitudes, so that the two opposite coupling forces exactly cancel. If we consider a slight perturbation of the position of one of these nodes, it will feel less force from the element in whose direction it moved, since the relative displacement has decreased. Conversely, it feels a greater force from the other element. The net force acting on the node element when it is displaced differentially from its rest position is then restoring, and the nodes remain stable. In fact, the "numerical temperature" of the lattice could be determined by zooming in the amplitude scale until the nodes were seen to move -- a zoom of about 2^{40} (or 10^{12} , the double precision limit!) The motion is random, and corresponds by analogy to the thermal motion of crystal elements in their lattice positions. Now, as the drive amplitude is lowered, the parametric excitation of the nodes decreases. At the same time, however, the potential energy well in which they rest becomes shorter, since the amplitude of the antinodal elements is decreasing. Proceeding by analogy, considering the natural frequency of the node if it were to oscillate in the potential energy well as a simple harmonic oscillator, this change in well height would lead to a decrease in natural frequency. Using equation (I.C.13) for the threshold condition of parametric drive, one sees that a decrease in natural frequency leads to a quadratic lowering of the

drive threshold. While not rigorous, this discussion suggests how the lowering of the well leads to a lowering of the drive threshold at a rate faster than that at which the drive is lowered. Thus, at some drive amplitude, the threshold condition is met and node growth occurs.

The reason the node growth continues until it destroys the mode (since this is a softening system, this merely means the lattice has at least one site which goes over the potential energy hump) is not well understood, although it may be related to the Benjamin-Feir instability discussed in Chapter II for cutoff lattices. When the nodes grow sufficiently to become commensurate with the amplitude of the antinodal elements, they continue to act initially as a unified group. Thinking of them as a sort of lower cutoff lattice embedded in the upper cutoff antinodal lattice, it can be seen that, for amplitudes greater than some threshold which depends on coupling and lattice size, the "nodal lattice" will become unstable to sidebands. For higher drive frequencies, the response amplitude is lower, so there should be a threshold frequency above which the Benjamin-Feir instability threshold is not reached. This appears to be what happens at drive frequency of 0.98.

Above this threshold frequency, the nodes grow until a steady state is reached such as that shown in Figure IV.5. In a phenomenon similar to the weak instability which occurred for the $N=2$ lattice below the Benjamin-Feir threshold, a weakly unstable path to chaos exists at the second threshold line for higher frequencies (see Figure IV.4). This threshold occurs for decreasing drive amplitude, which is sensible, since it is associated with increasing parametric excitation due to a still decreasing

potential energy well from the antinodal elements. Recall that, for the two element lattice, a threshold of weak instability was crossed which corresponded to the exceeding of a parametric drive threshold; in this case, the parametric drive threshold is for decreasing amplitude, and corresponds to the point where node motion begins. The chaotic state of the two element lattice occurred as one moved further from the drive threshold, as one crossed an apparently fractal boundary between the switching and non-switching basins of attraction; here, the switching and non-switching analogy corresponds to the switching between nodal lattice being driven by and driving the antinodal lattice. Although this connection between switching and non-switching is conjectural to some degree, since it is not absolutely clear exactly what is happening at the chaotic threshold, it is clear that as we move further from the threshold of parametric instability, a chaotic band begins at a definite threshold.

Throughout this small chaotic region, the nodal lattice continues to maintain its identity and oscillates at a mean amplitude well below the amplitude of the antinodal lattice. Its motion is jerky and aperiodic, however, which typifies chaotic behavior. As in the case of the two element lattice's approach to chaos, the development of the nodes as they approach the chaotic threshold can be illustrated well using frequency and phase domain visualizations. In Figure IV.6, the spectra of a nodal element are shown for drive amplitudes 0.075 and 0.056. The first is well above the threshold for node motion (which is 0.056); the spectrum is of thermal noise in the rough vicinity of the drive frequency. The second is taken early in the

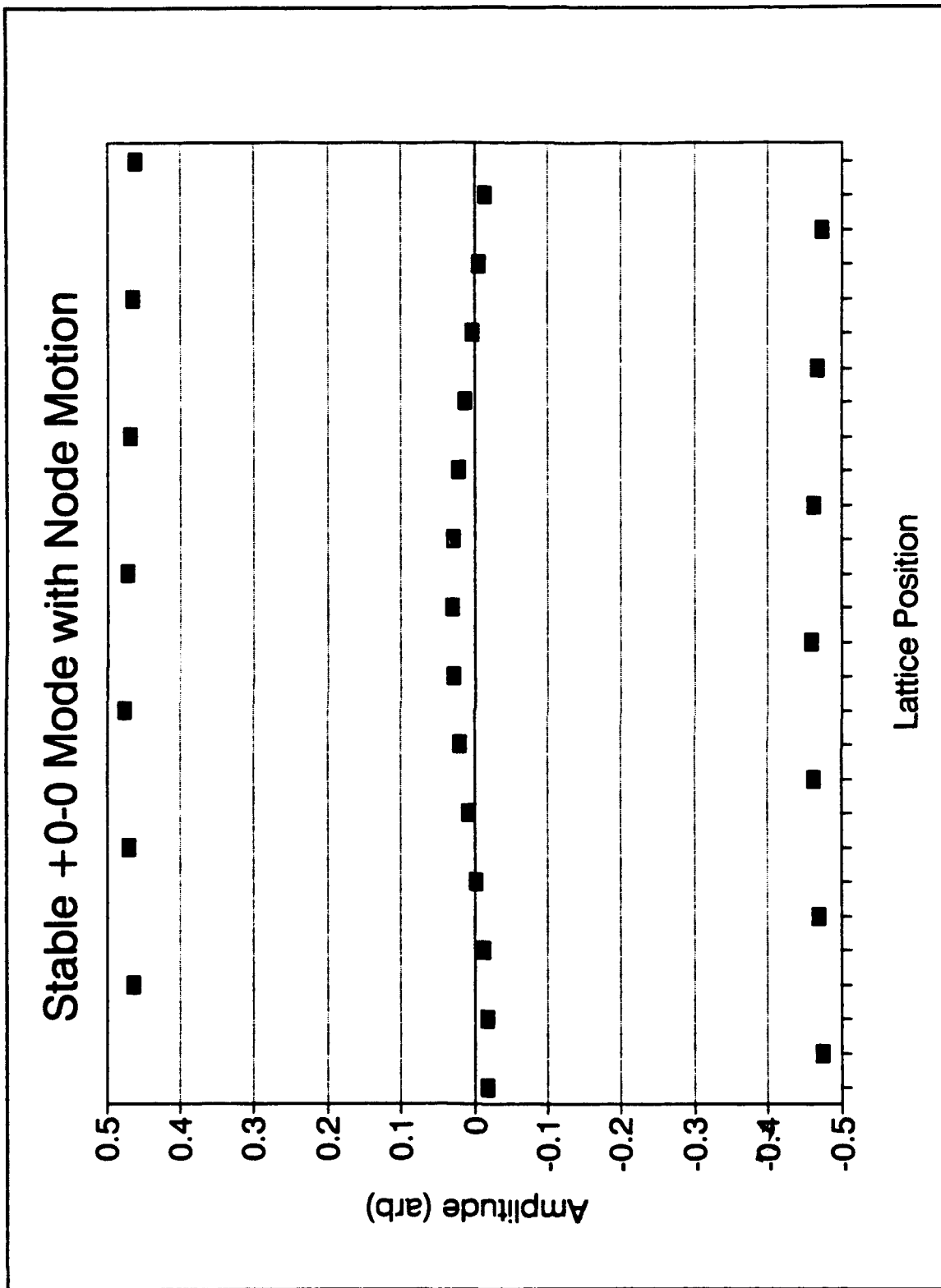


Figure IV.5. Stable state resulting from +0-0 mode after nodal growth.

growth of the nodes. The frequencies present are 1.10 and 0.87, which do not match the drive frequency of 1.0434, but are the frequencies about which the thermal noise centered in the first spectrum. The fact that the main frequency is higher than the drive frequency is consistent with the potential energy well idea, since this additional potential energy will increase the frequency of the nodal elements. The growth of the steady state oscillations of the nodal lattice as one lowers drive amplitude toward the chaos threshold can be seen in Figure IV.7, which shows phase portraits of several nodal and antinodal elements in their steady state at drive amplitudes of 0.053 and 0.051. The trend, which continues as one lowers drive amplitude, is for the inner ellipses, which are the nodal elements, to grow outward, with the angle of inclination of the ellipses unchanged. At the same time, the outer ellipses, which are the antinodal elements (note they appear in opposite quadrants, since the antinodes are in an "upper cutoff" arrangement), fatten up, with their inner edges broadening and moving inward. As in the two element lattice case, this change is due to the greater amount of energy transferred from antinode to node during each cycle; there is as yet no switching of roles.

When the drive amplitude reaches 0.045, the ellipses are just about to touch, as shown in Figure IV.8; the ellipses stretched a little further from this state and then chaotic behavior began, as seen in the lower half of Figure IV.8. In a manner similar to that of the two element lattice, the ellipses show large scatter. The spectra of this chaotic state are shown in Figure IV.9 for a node and an antinode. The characteristic spread spectrum of chaotic motion is readily apparent. However, as

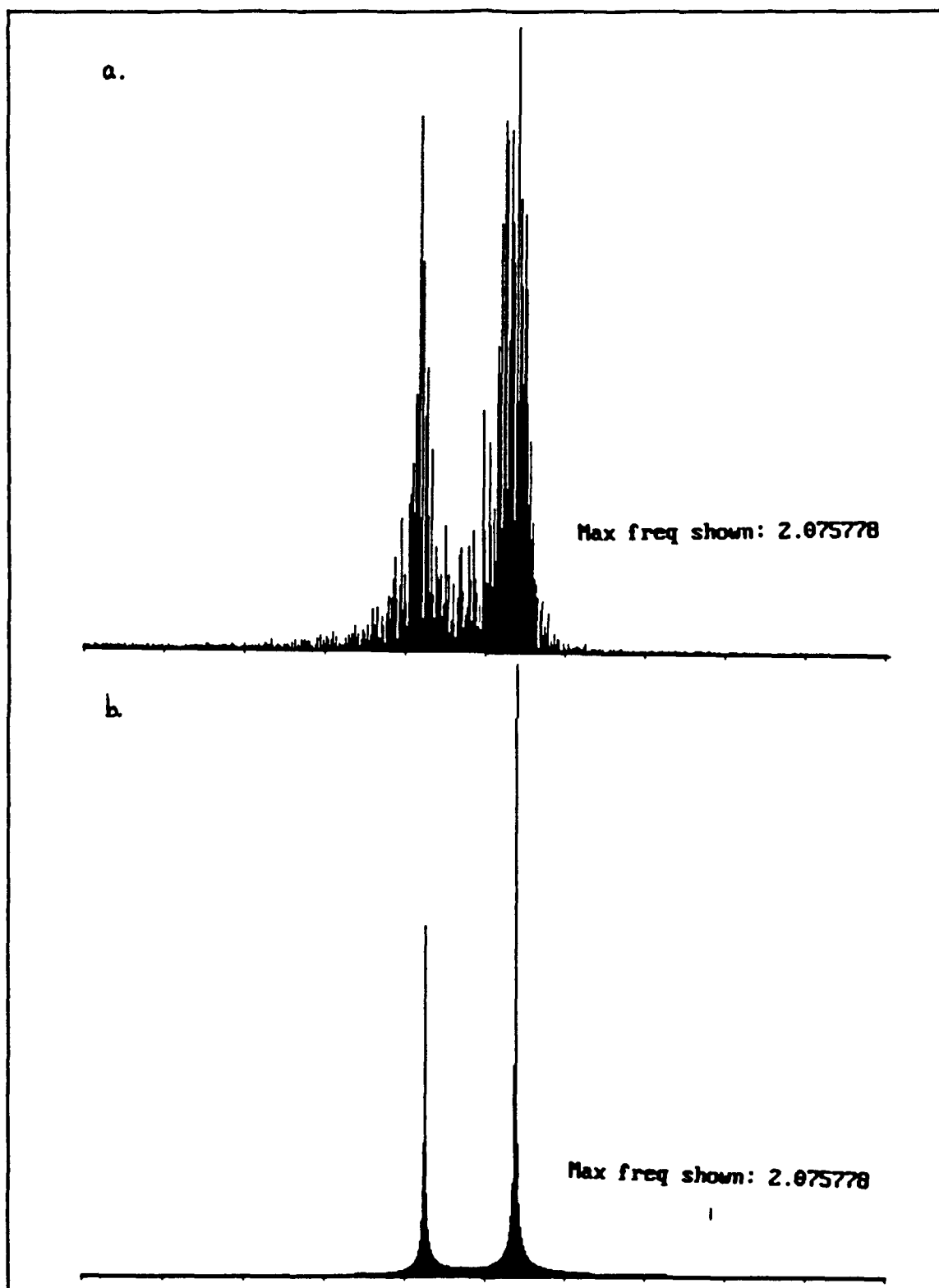


Fig IV.6. Spectra for nodal element. (a) Thermal noise. (b) Onset of growth.

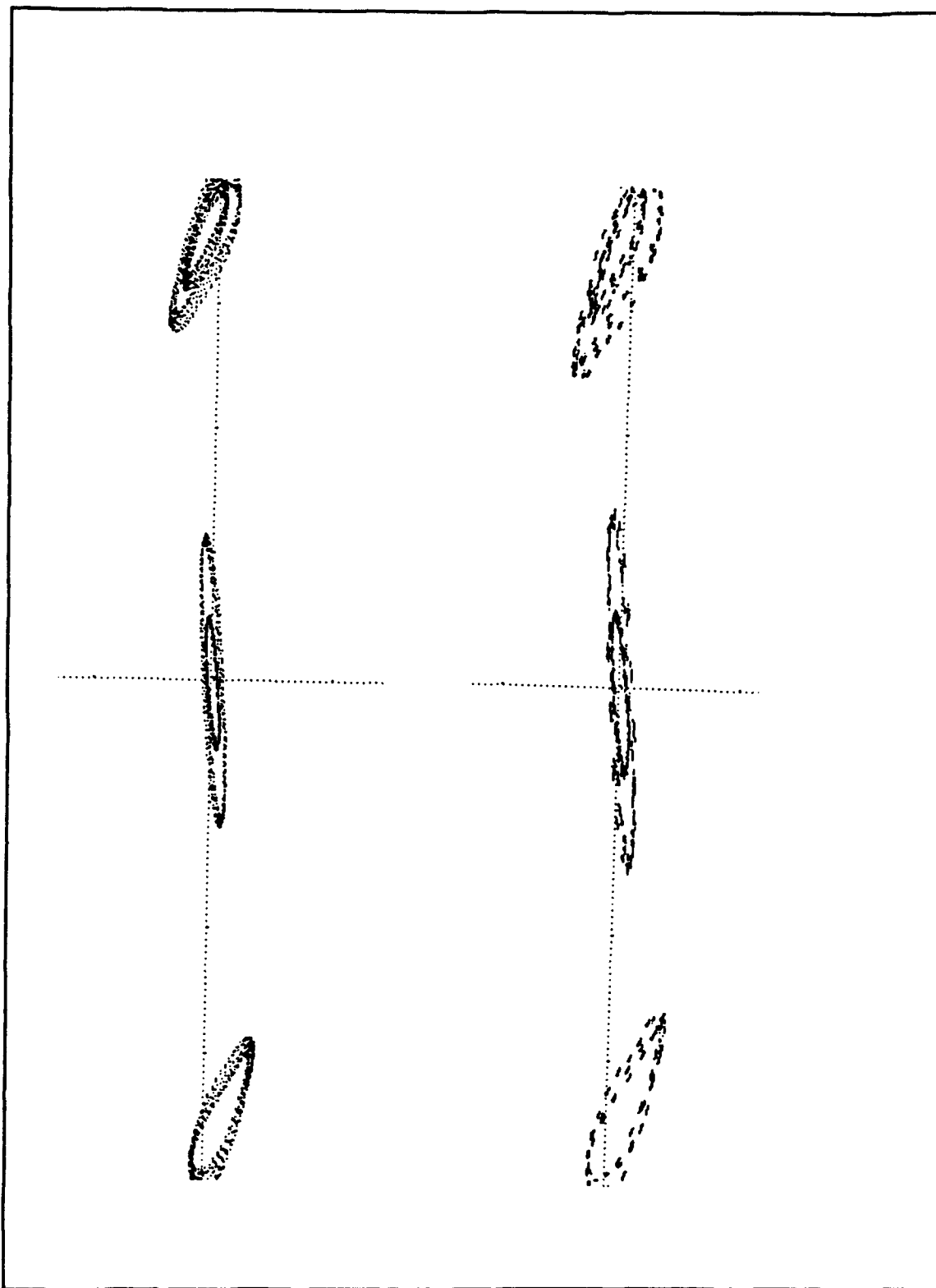


Fig. IV.7. Phase portraits of steady states for drive amplitude = 0.053 and 0.051.

Figures IV.9 and IV.10 show, this chaos turned out to be transient in nature (although it remained for many periods of oscillation). Figures IV.10 and IV.11 are the same as Figures IV.8 and IV.9, only they were taken after the transient chaos died out. Figure IV.12 shows the continuation of the effects seen before when lowering drive amplitude; there were no transient chaotic states. Finally, at drive amplitude of 0.042, steady state chaos set in. This is seen in Figure IV.13. Now there is clear penetration of the outer ellipses by the point of the inner ellipses, which I believe represents graphically the point at which switching of the nodes from driven to driving state occurs.

An even more vivid graphical example of the route to chaos is seen in Figure IV.14, which is a similar succession of phase portraits at various drive amplitudes, with the drive frequency set at 1.054 (higher than in the previous example, which is evident also from the lower threshold amplitude for chaotic motion). In the third portrait of Figure IV.14, the lower point of the inner ellipse has clearly pierced the region of the left outer ellipse. Figure IV.15 shows the same elements a few cycles later, with the idea of chaos very obviously portrayed. One point worth making about the change in shape of the outer ellipses is that, for all frequencies, when piercing occurs, the tails of the outer ellipses stretch out and bend down toward the coordinate (x) axis; this is because, as switching now occurs, these elements drive the nodal elements until they are nearly at rest in the equilibrium position (i.e., at the origin). This state was steady state (that is, it remained chaotic, and did not settle out into an ordered system); no transient chaotic states were observed at a drive

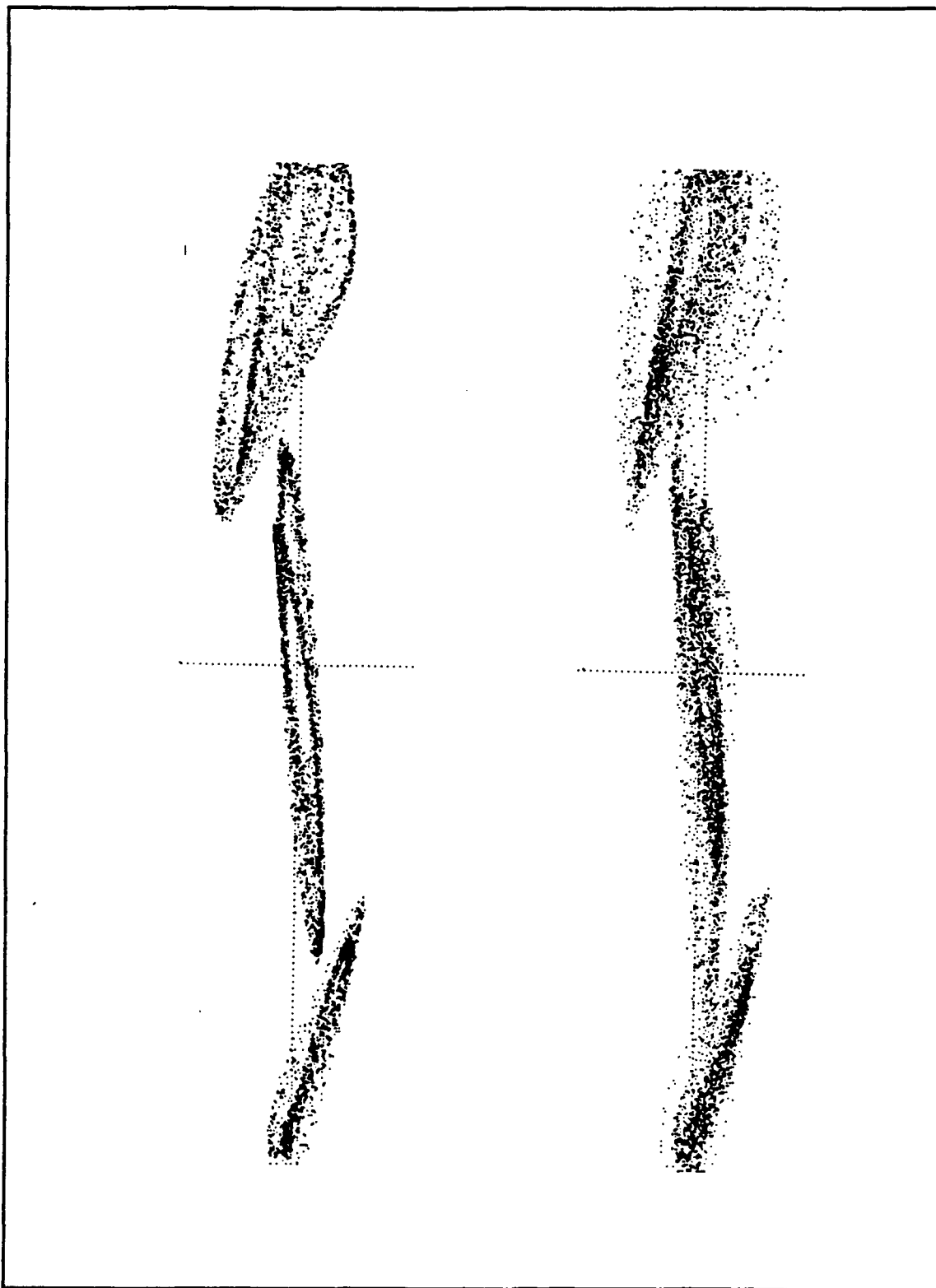


Fig. IV.8. Phase portrait for drive amplitude 0.045 showing transient chaos.

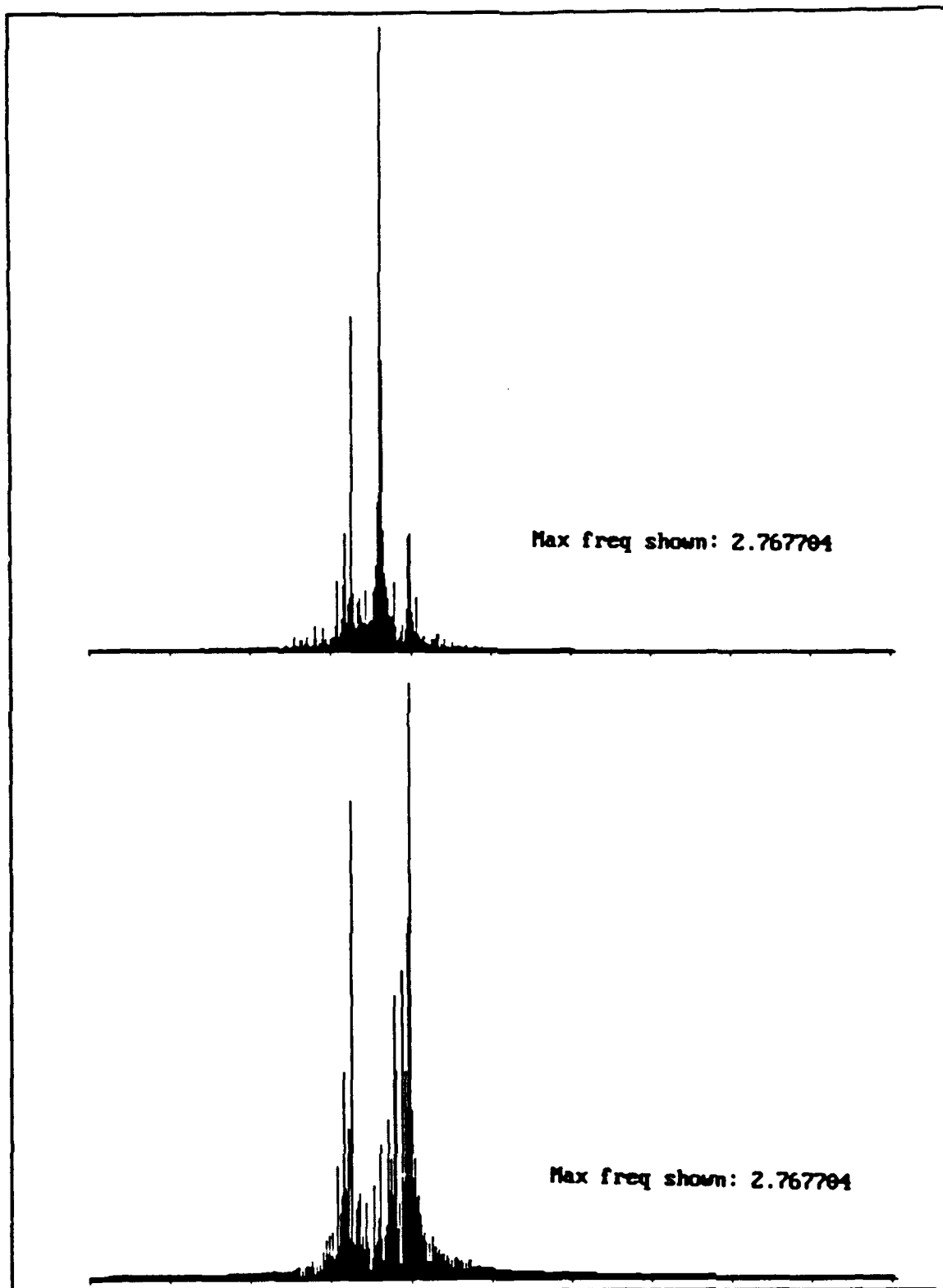


Fig. IV.9. Spectra for node and antinode showing transient chaos.

frequency of 1.054.

When drive amplitude was lowered still further, the lattice made a transition from chaotic states to linear combinations of normal modes at about amplitude 0.035. This corresponds to the regime wherein the effects of the nonlinearity in the equation of motion becomes insignificant. At somewhat lower amplitudes still, about 0.025, the lattice motion died out, as the parametric threshold for steady state excitation was no longer exceeded.

The upper right line in Figure IV.4 forms the boundary of the region of stability defined by a similar instability to that encountered at low drive amplitudes. When this line is reached, the nodes begin to move, but they are exactly 180 degrees out of phase with each of their node neighbors. The mechanism for this onset of node motion, while probably related to that which drives the in phase motion just described, is not understood. In all cases, the motion grows continually until the nodes and antinodes are commensurate in amplitude. Depending on position on the line of instability, various types of final states occur. For drive frequencies greater than about 1.04, the state that tends to arise is the $++--$ mode (Figure IV.2), although, with just a slight push beyond the line of instability, one can achieve the mode shown in Figure IV.3, which may be preferred for certain drive parameters (this has not been checked). For drive frequencies less than 1.04, the transient caused when the nodes become commensurate with the antinodes invariably causes the lattice to blow up due to the usual potential energy problem. What is most remarkable about the out of phase node motion boundary is that it is very linear all

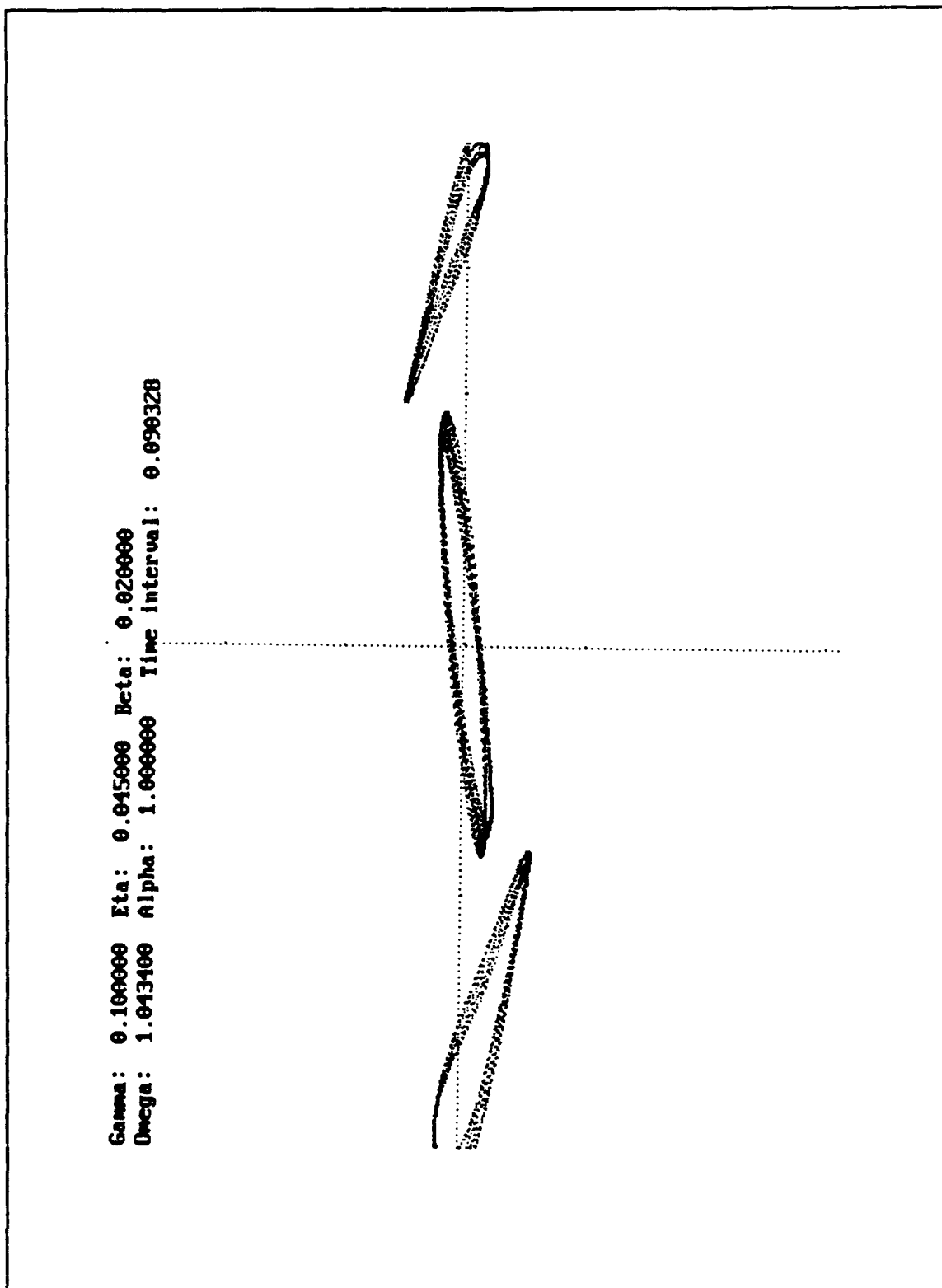


Fig IV.10. Phase portrait for drive amplitude 0.045 after transient chaos.

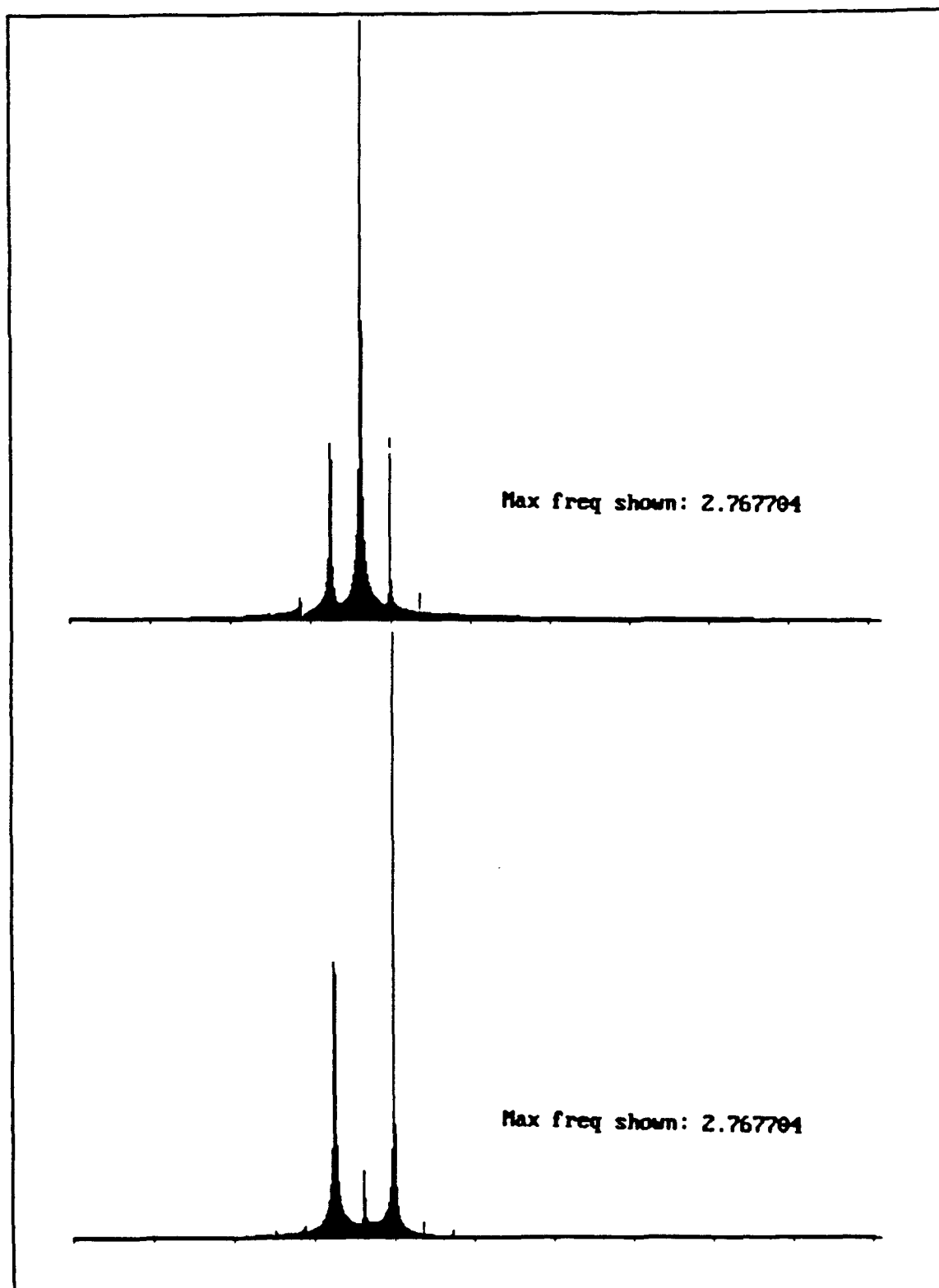


Fig IV.11. Spectra for node and antinode, after transient chaos.

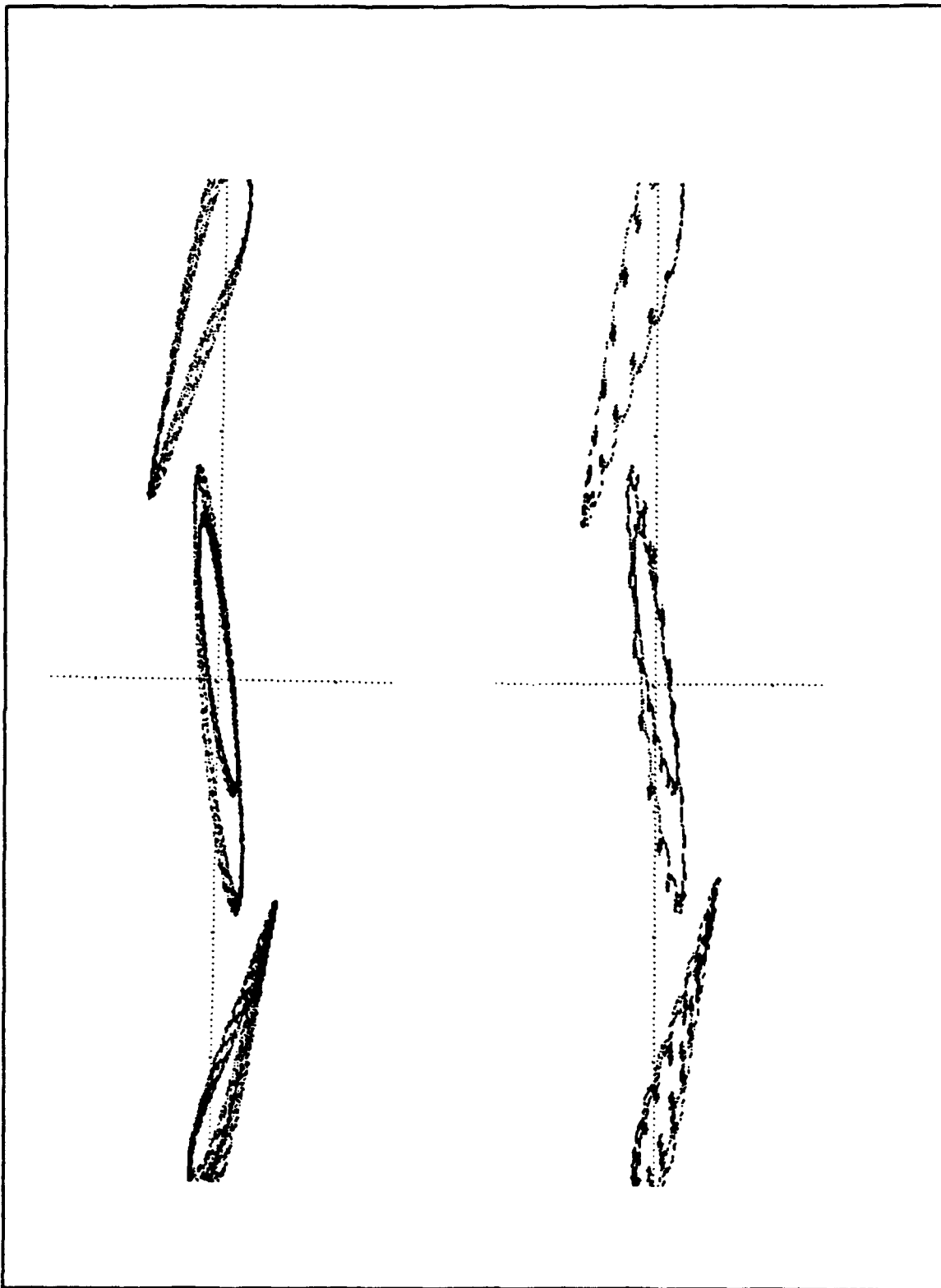


Fig IV.12. Phase portraits for amplitudes 0.044 and 0.043.

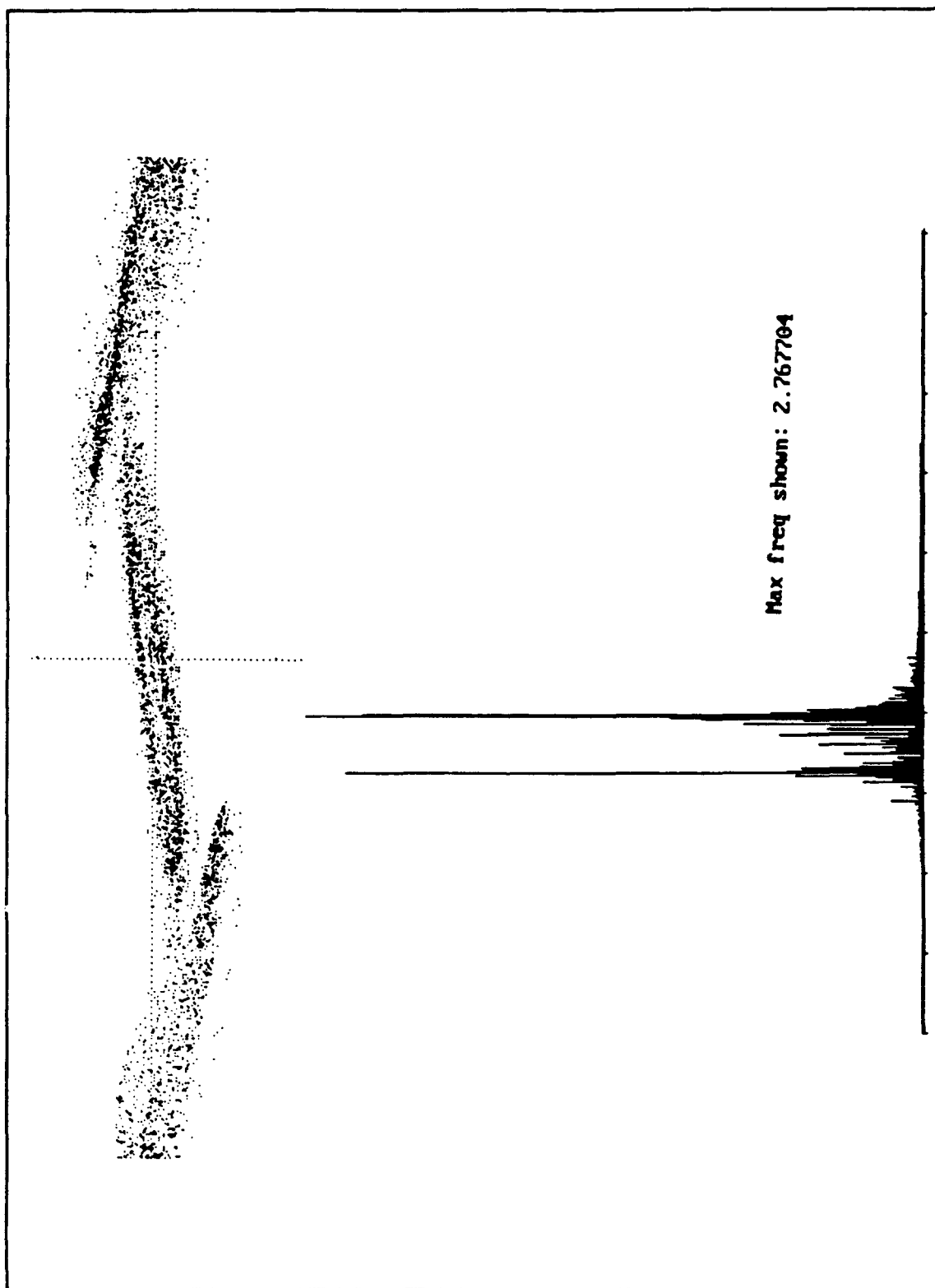


Fig IV.13. Steady state chaos -- spectrum and drive portrait.

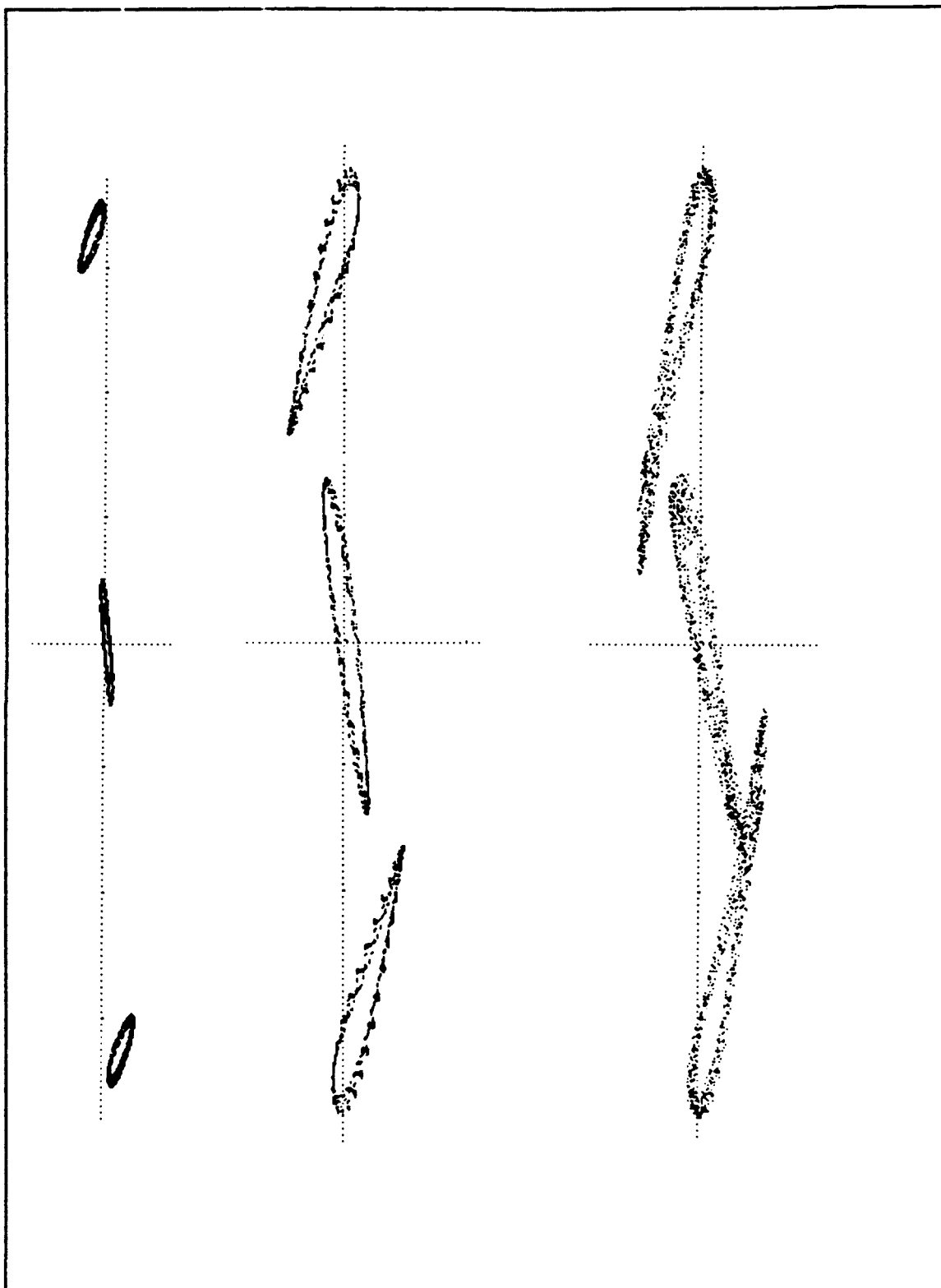


Fig IV.14. Phase portraits showing approach to chaos at $\omega = 1.054$.

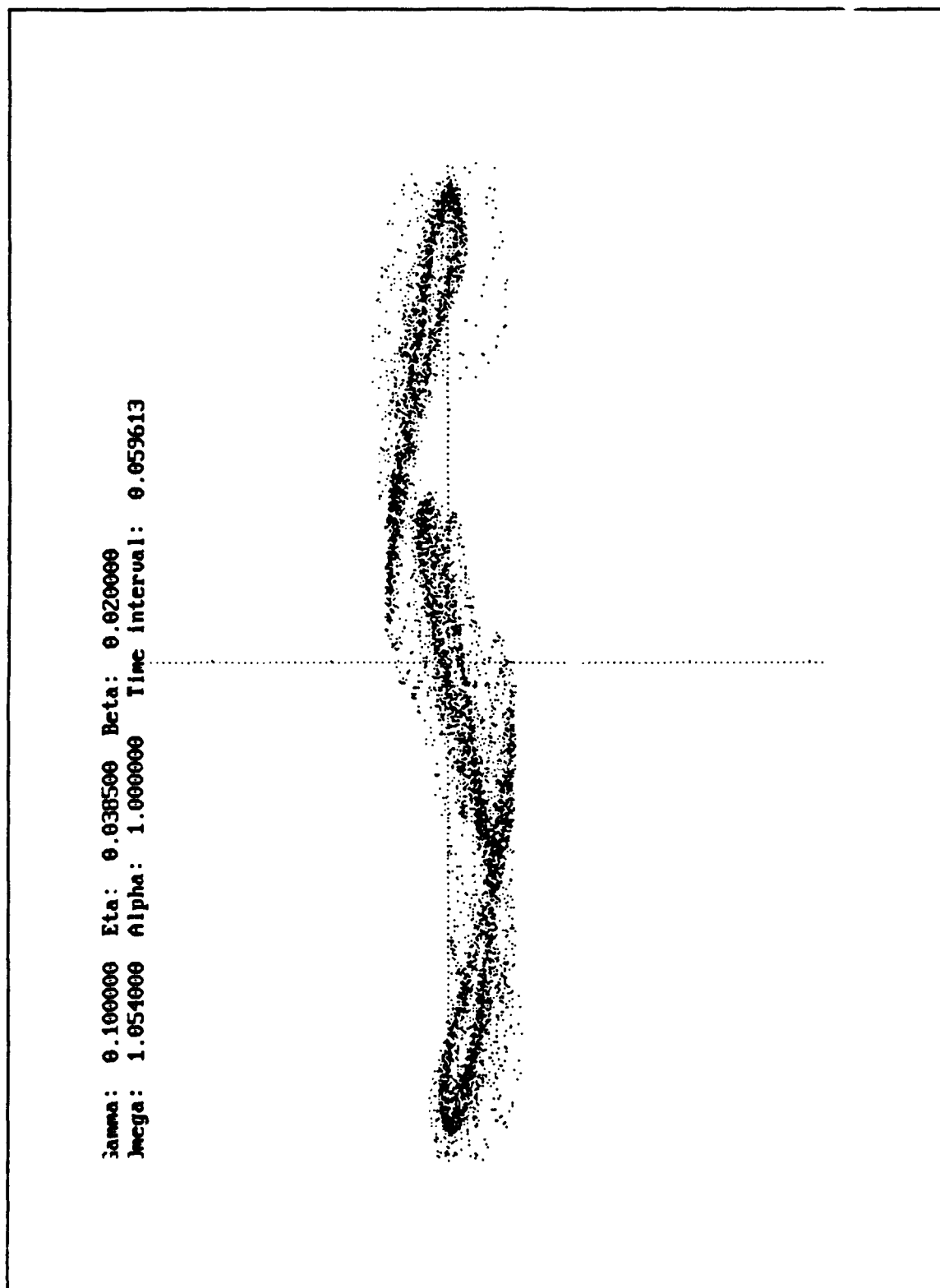


Fig IV.15. Phase portrait of steady state chaos at $\omega = 1.054$.

the way to drive frequencies equal to the upper cutoff frequency, where it bends upward slightly. Why it should be so is one of the many aspects of the lambda four modes that is not understood currently.

The final boundary of the stable +0-0 region in the drive plane, the upper left curve, is characterized by a totally unexpected phenomenon -- isochronous motion, with respect to the drive, and DC excitation. When this boundary is reached, the nodes move rapidly to a fixed DC offset, which is matched by a DC offset in the antinodes, and stays there. If amplitude is further increased, the offset magnitude increases, but at the second curve, the antinodes become unstable, breaking up into complex modulated states which quickly lead to the potential energy problem and lattice breakup. The nodes and antinodes, when they move to the isochronous mode, may do so with an imposed modulation, depending on initial conditions as the boundary is approached. the modulation stays fixed once the steady state offset is achieved. Examples of modulated and unmodulated isochronously excited lattices are given in Figures IV.16 and IV.17.

As is the upper right boundary, this boundary is very straight for a large range of values. In this case, for frequencies less than about 0.91, the curve bends upward; also as was the case for the upper right boundary, the reason for this profile is not understood.

As this detailed look at the drive plane region of stability of the plain +0-0 mode makes plain, the lambda four modes themselves, without solitons or other complications, exhibit quite complex and interesting behavior that is not fully

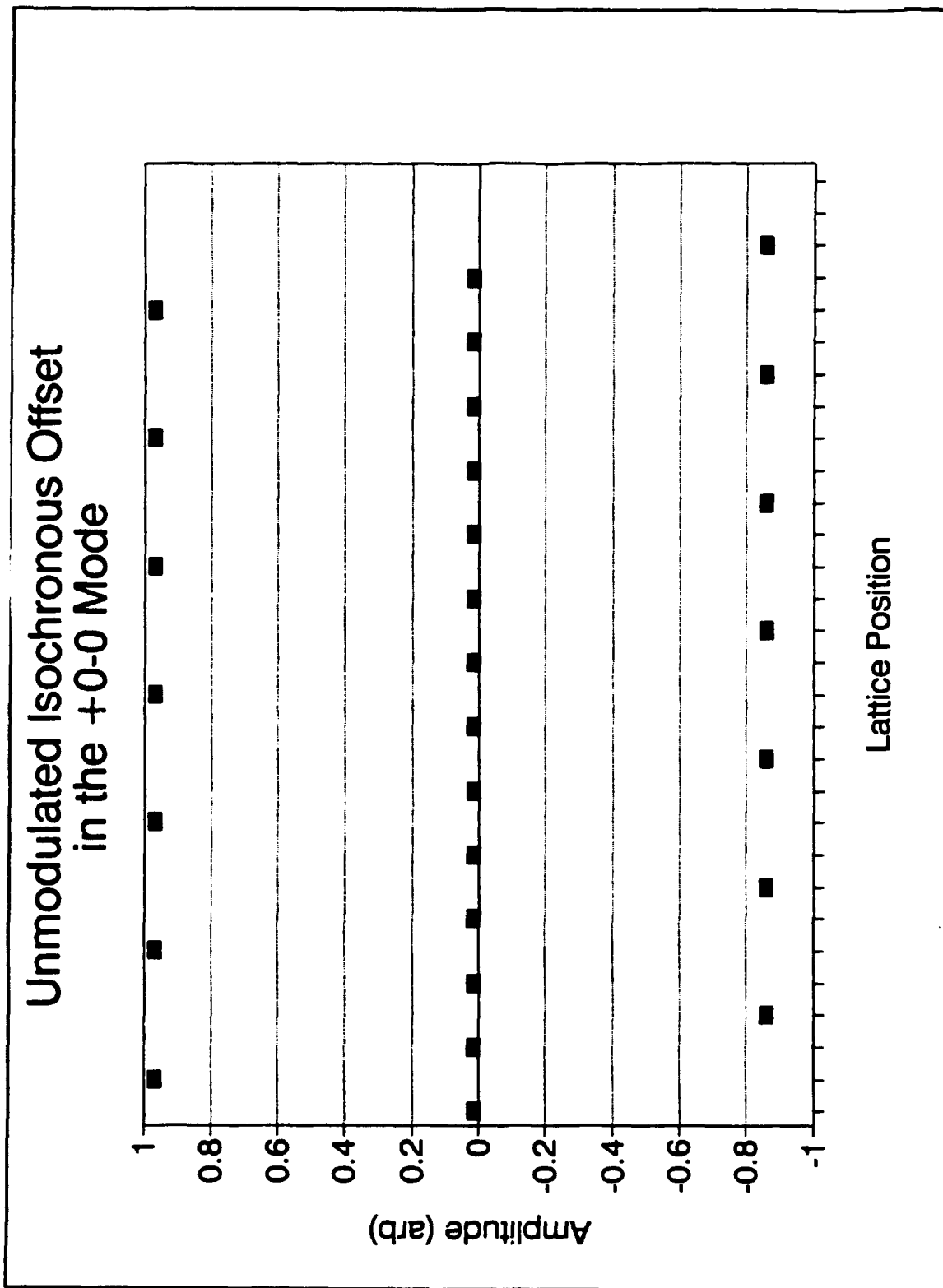


Fig IV.16. Unmodulated isochronously excited lattice.

Modulated Isochronous Offset in the +0-0 Mode

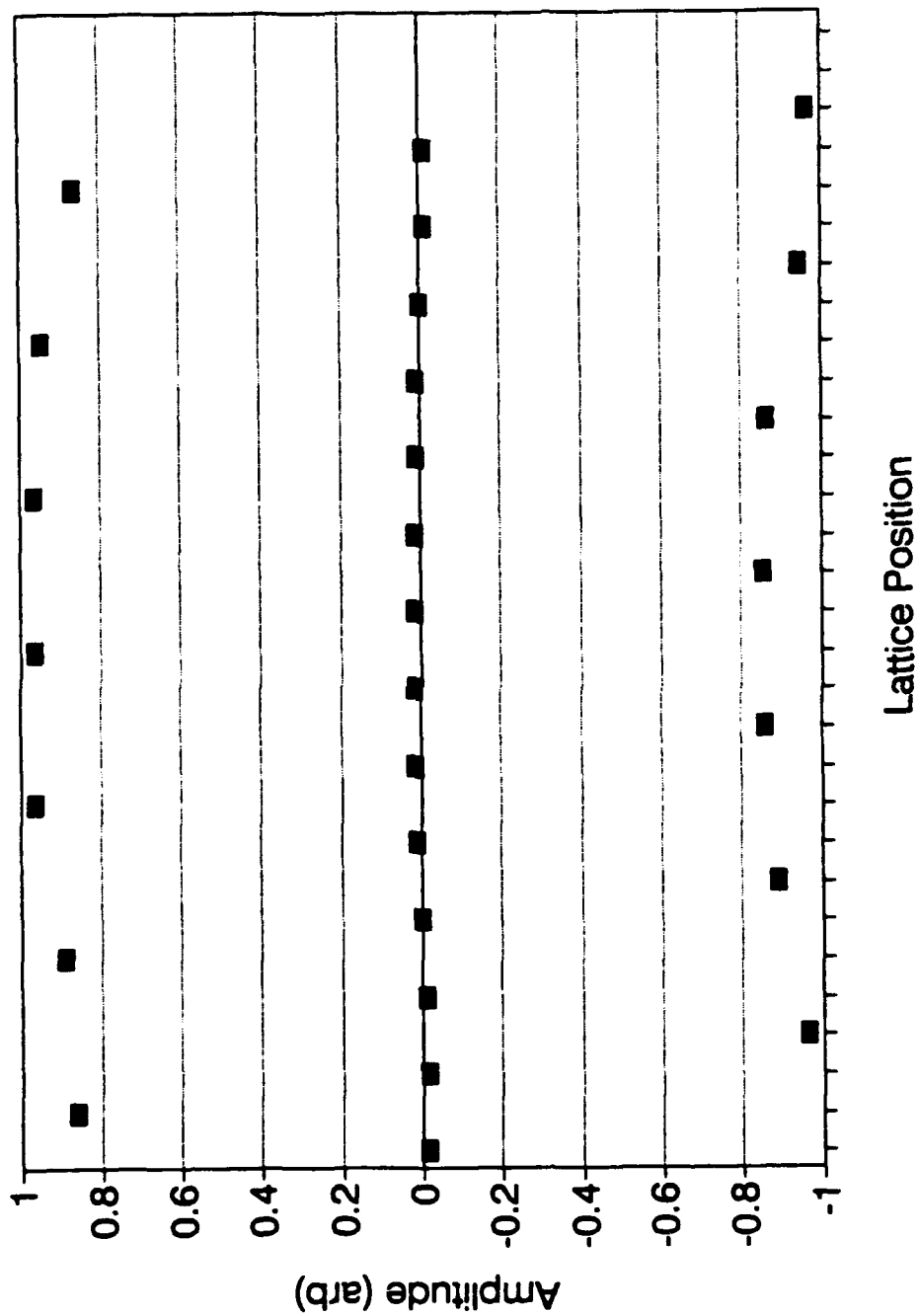


Fig IV.17. Modulated isochronously excited lattice.

understood. The drive planes of the other forms of the lambda four lattice have not been studied, either and may present an additional range of interesting phenomena.

B. KINKS IN THE LAMBDA FOUR MODES.

As one might expect, considering the complexity and number of lambda four pure modes, there exists a wide variety of kinks in these modes. Considering just the $+0-0$ mode, we can argue on purely geometrical grounds for the existence of four types of kinks, corresponding in effect to phase shifts of 90, 180, 270 and 360 degrees. The profiles they must exhibit, shown in Figure IV.18, are based on the requirement that the entire lattice oscillate at the same frequency. The classification numbers given in Figure IV.18 will be used throughout the following to clearly identify the various kinks; the profiles are based on a softening lattice, which was the case considered in the pure mode drive plane analysis described in the previous section. The main emphasis in this section is indeed on softening $+0-0$ kinks, although results are also presented for hardening kinks and kinks in the other lambda four modes.

All of the kink types shown in Figure IV.18 have been shown numerically to exist. Representative examples are shown in Figures IV.19 through IV.22.

In addition, Figure IV.23 shows a Type IA kink, which is an antisymmetric version of the Type I shown in Figure IV.18. Figure IV.24 demonstrates clearly the distinction between symmetric and antisymmetric kinks. Presumably, antisymmetric versions exist of the other kinktypes as well, although this has not been verified. They are seen to be in good agreement with the expected general profiles.

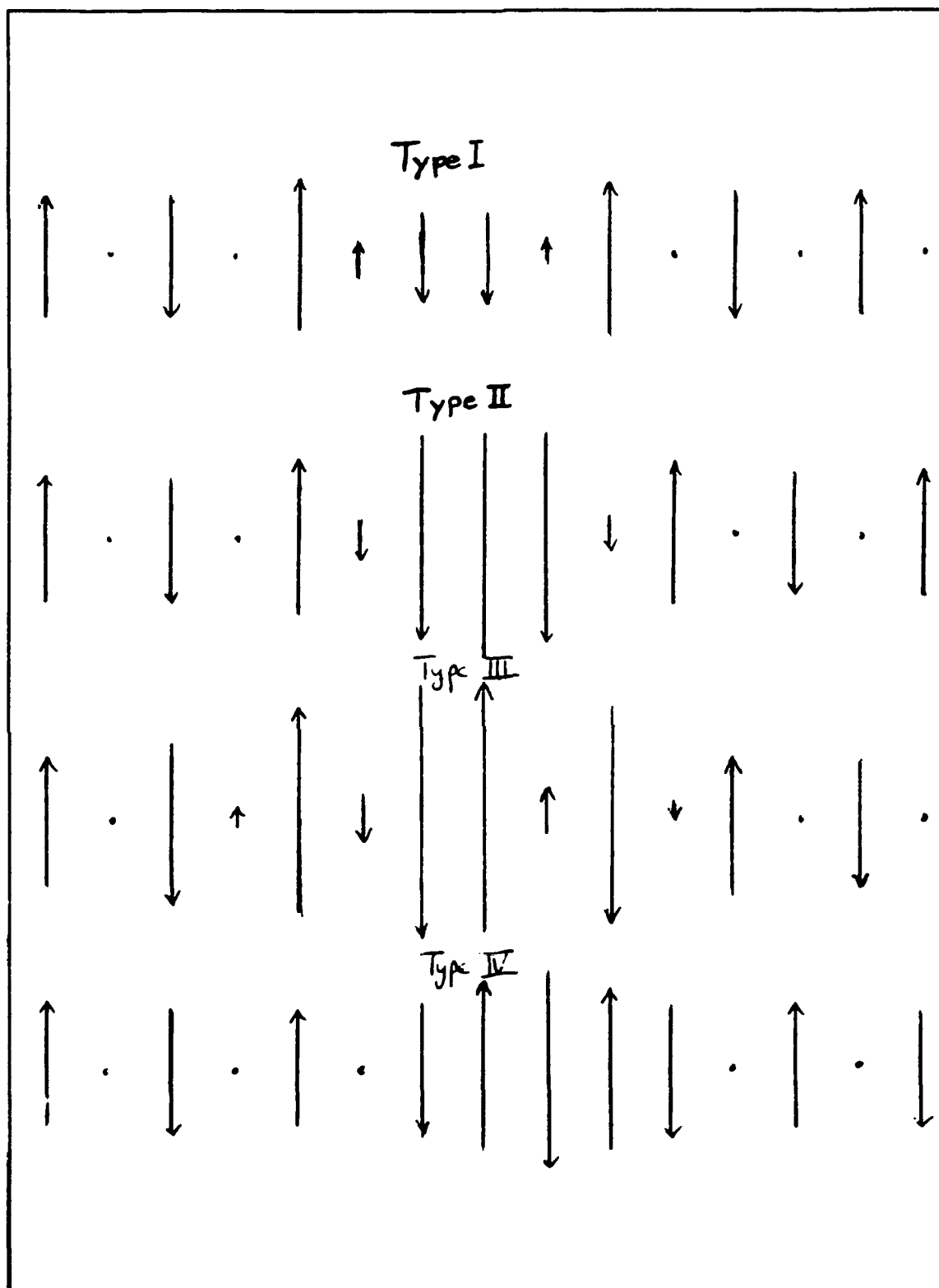


Fig. IV.18. Four types of +0-0 kinks, based on possible mismatch combinations

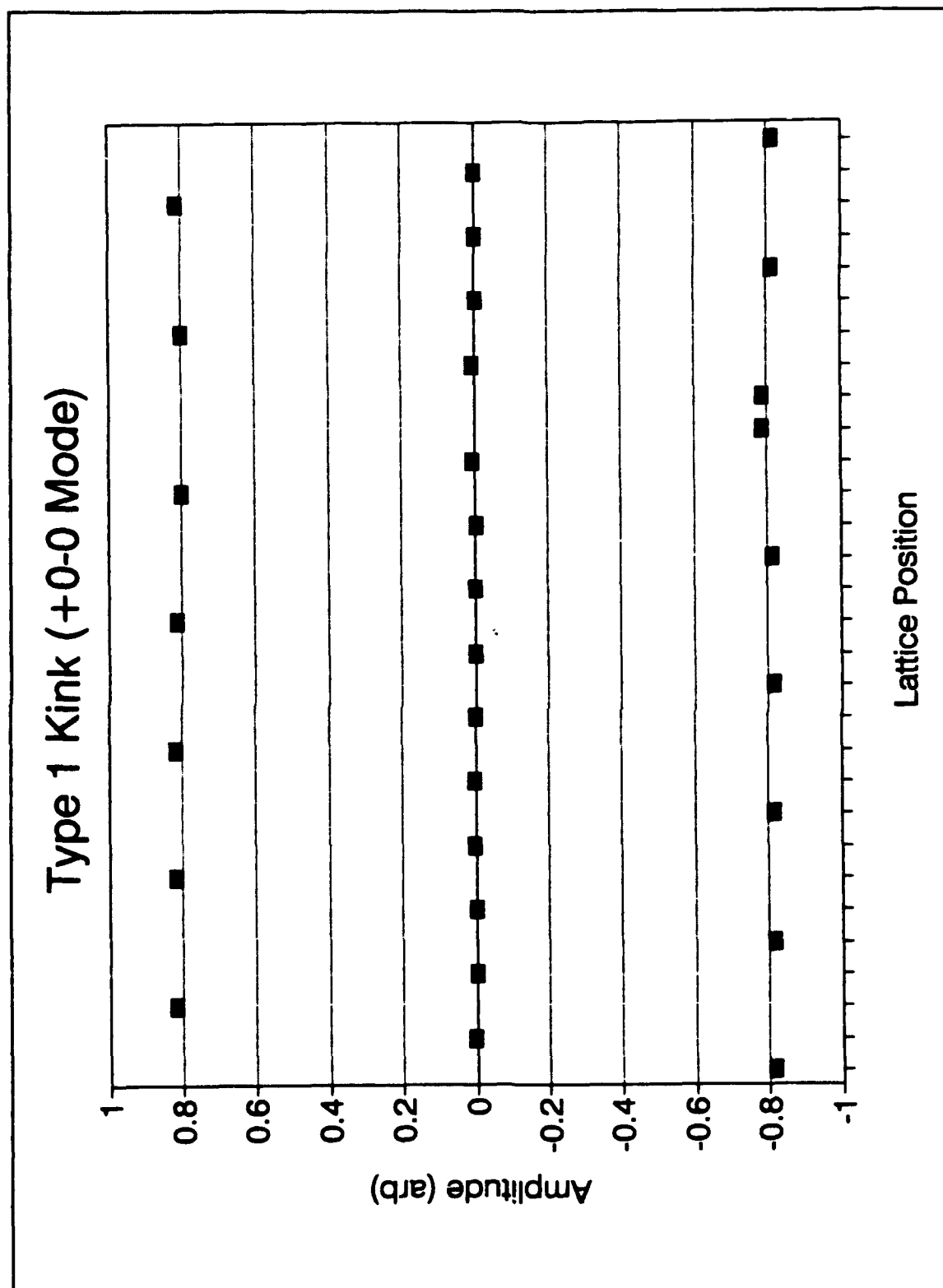


Fig. IV.19. Numerical results for a Type I Softening +0-0 Kink.

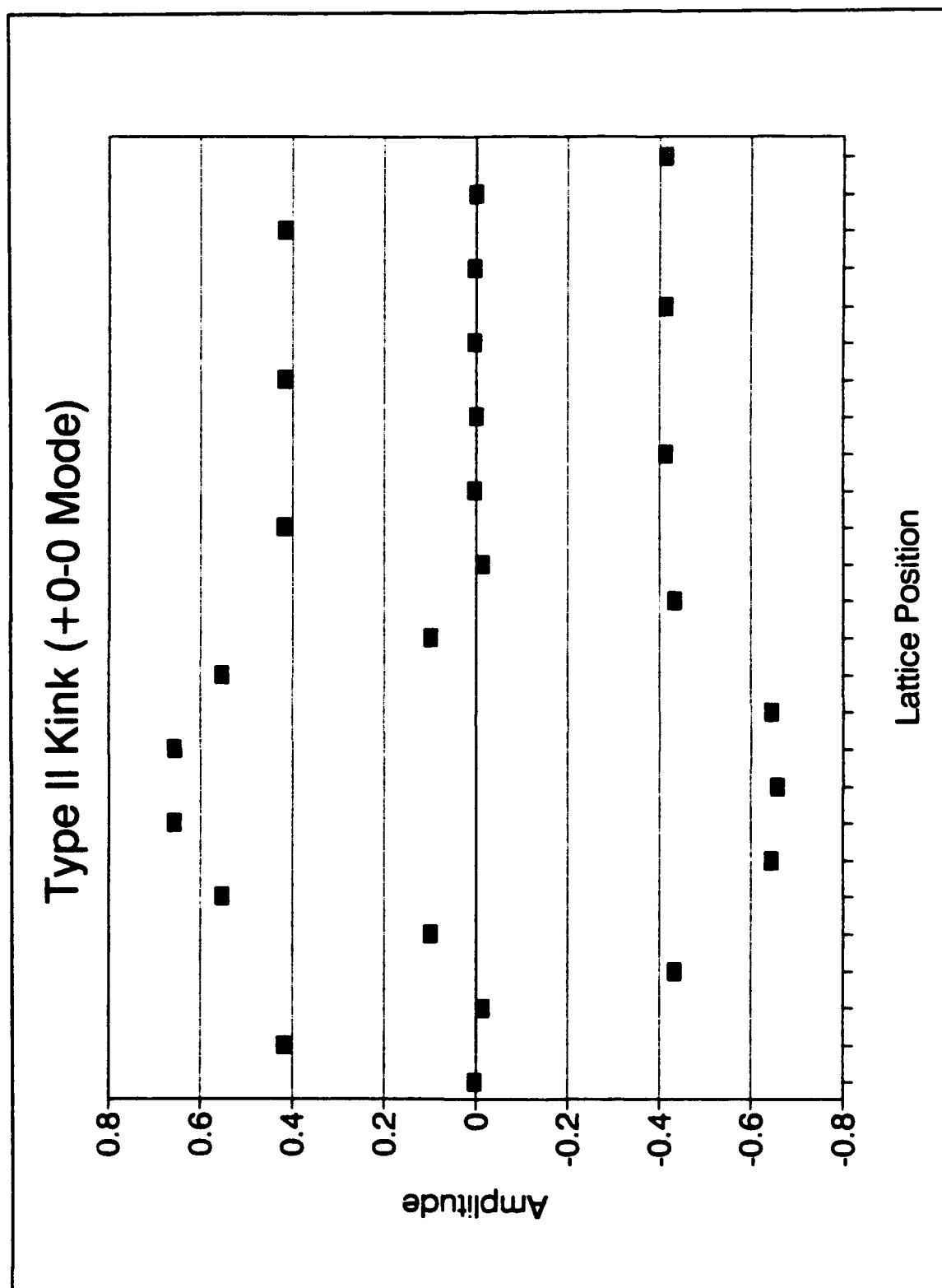


Fig. IV.20. Numerical results for a Type II Softening +0-0 Kink.

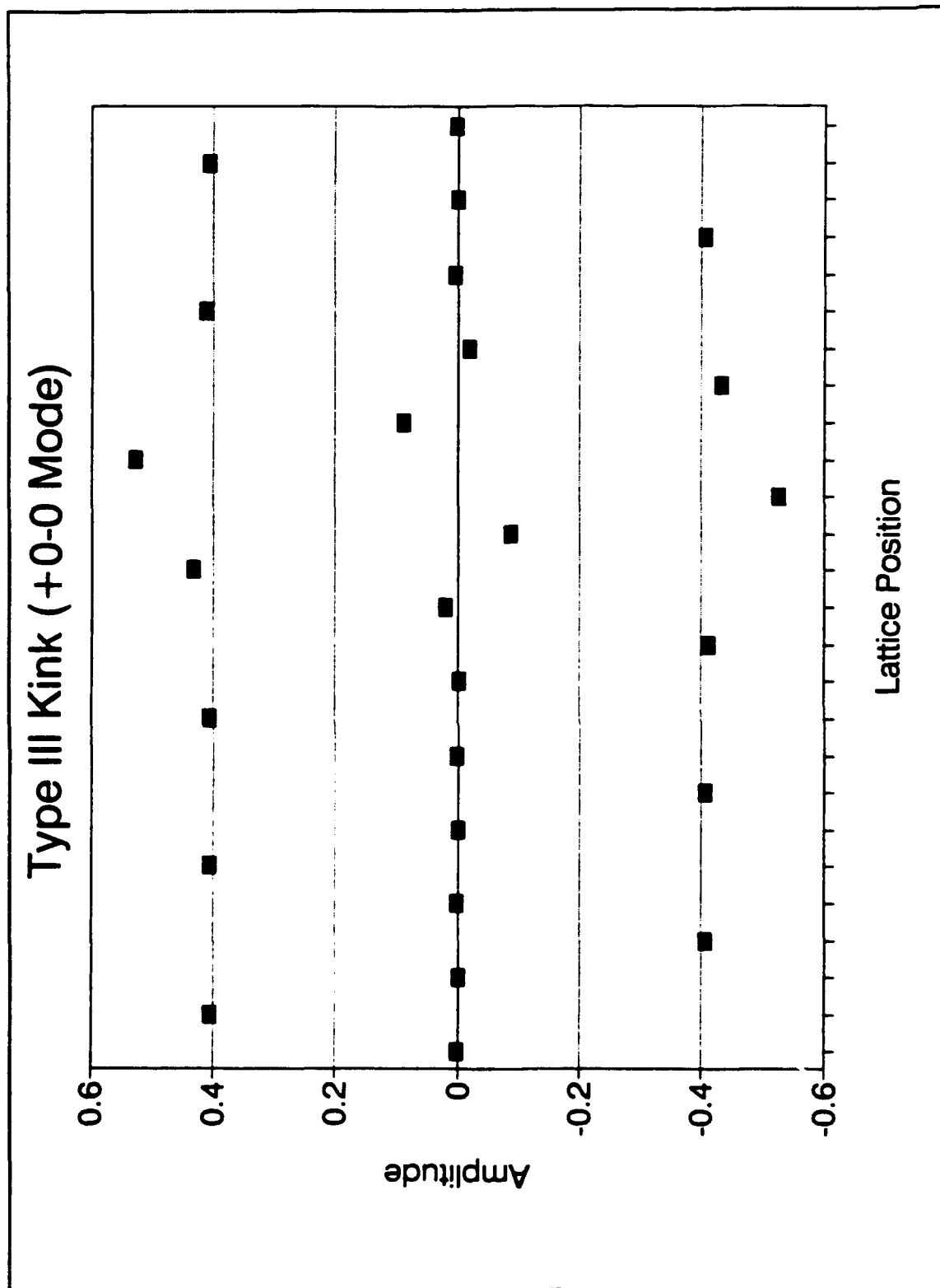


Fig. IV.21. Numerical results for a Type III Softening +0-0 Kink.

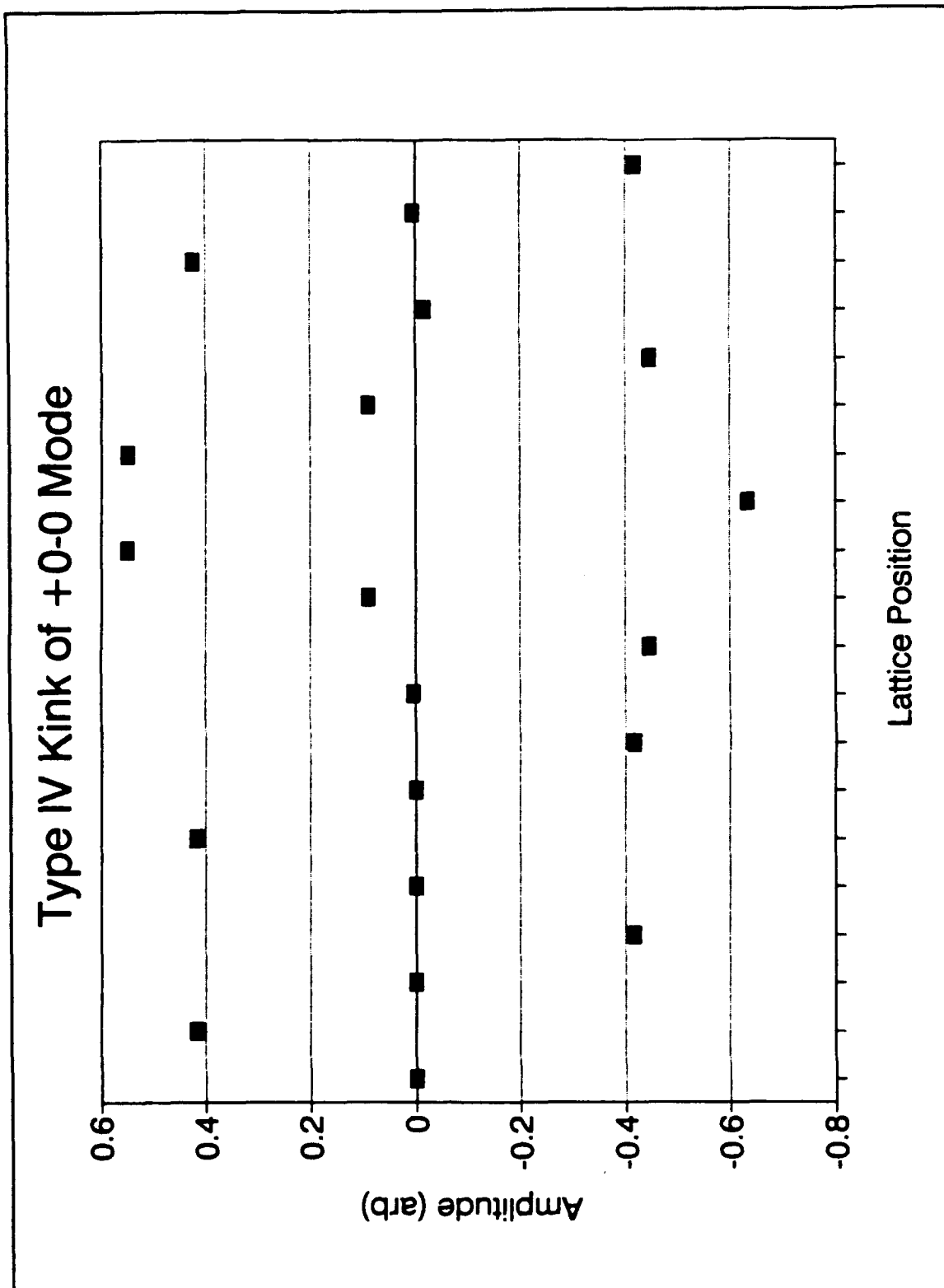


Fig. IV.22. Numerical results for Type IV Softening +0-0 Kink.

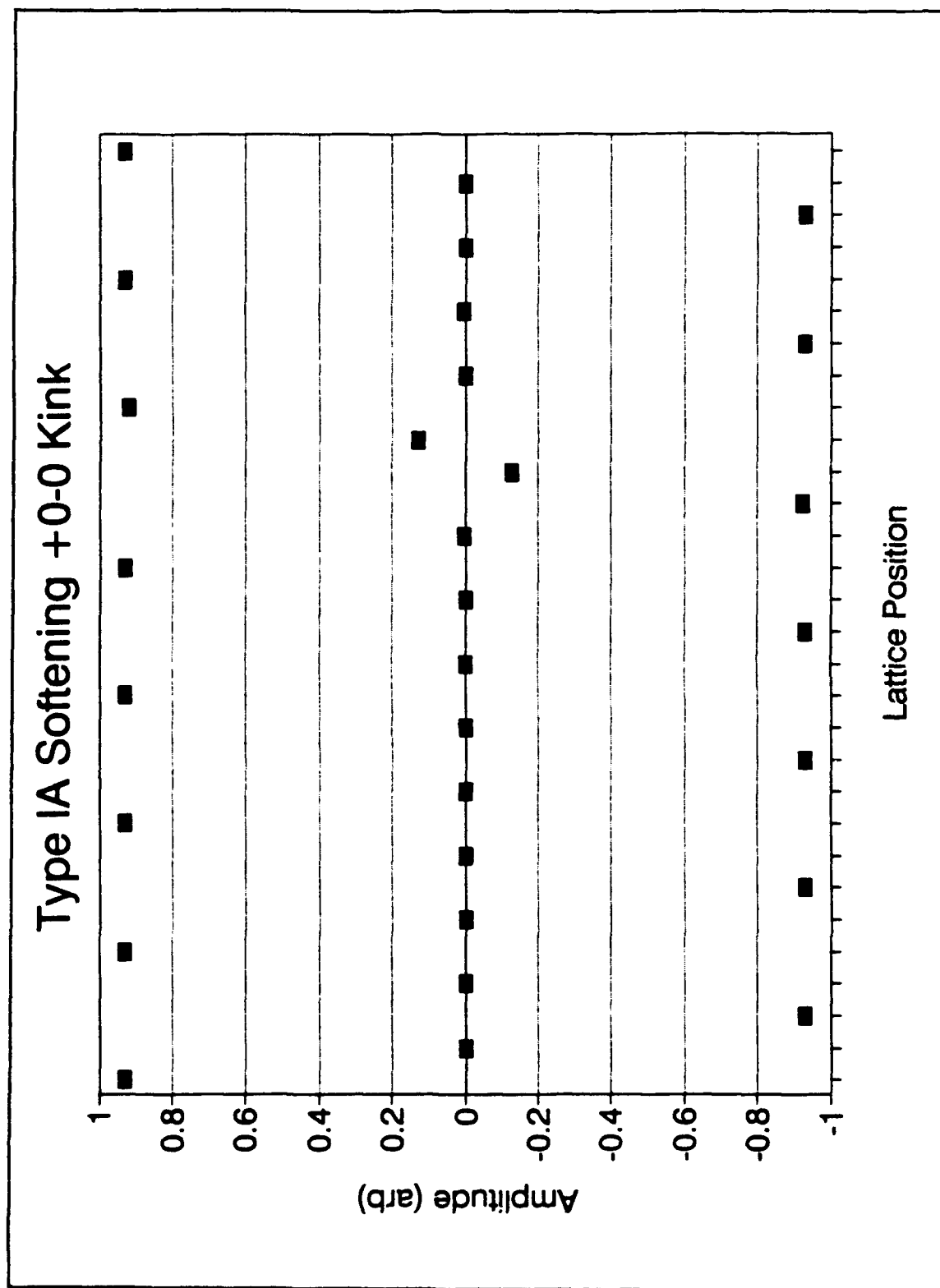


Fig. IV.23. Numerical results for Type IA Softening +0-0 Kink.

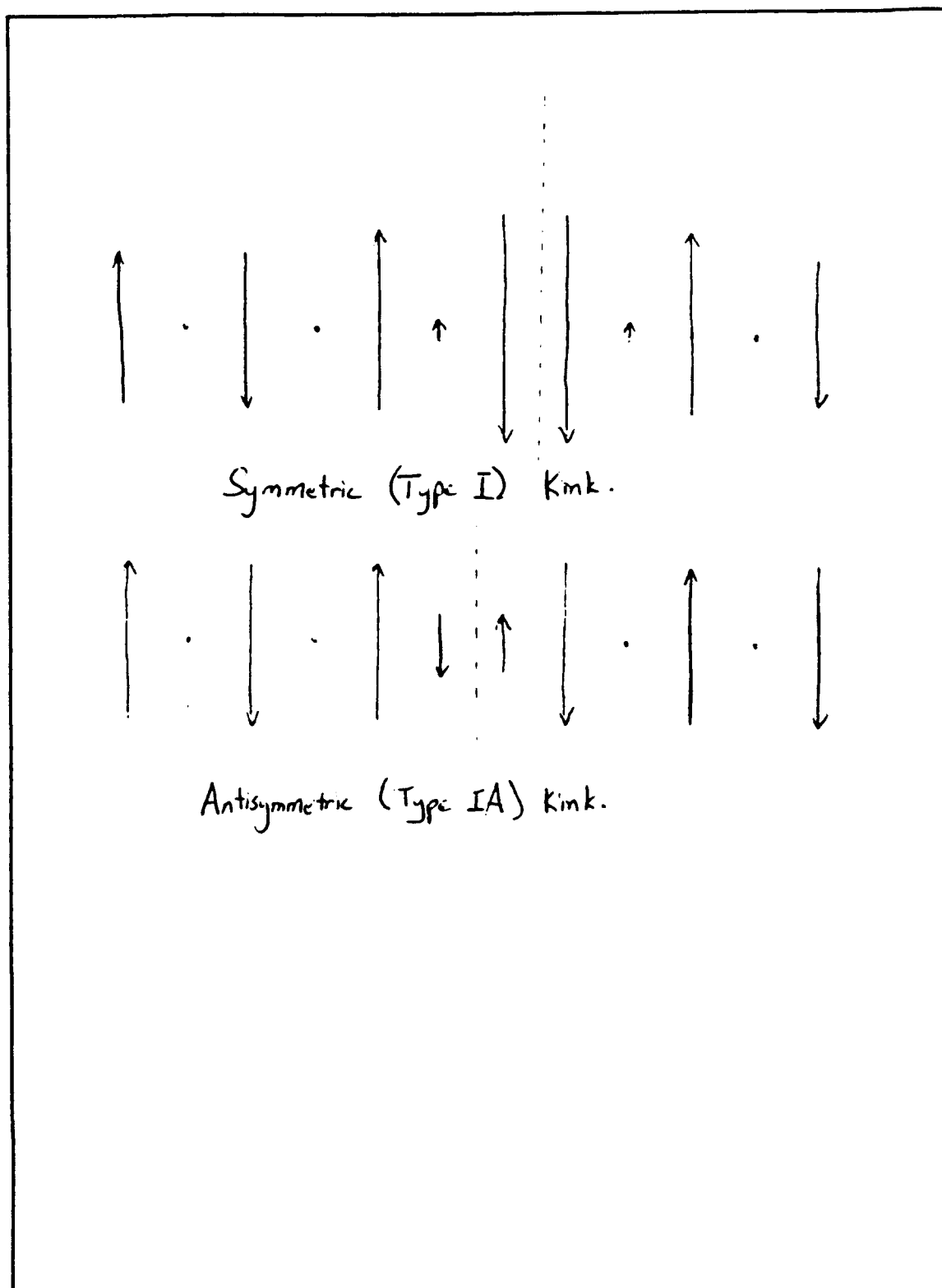


Fig. IV.24. Symmetric and antisymmetric $+0-0$ kinks.

In order to make a clear comparison between kink behavior and normal mode behavior, a drive plane study was conducted of a Type I kink. Figure IV.25 shows the results of this study, with the outline of the +0-0 pure mode drive plane overlaid for comparison. Several striking results were obtained in the course of this drive plane exploration, as expected, given the complexity of the modal drive plane boundaries. In particular, the presence of the kink produced dramatic, localized effects which appeared in many cases to compete with the effects in the wings, which generally were identical to the ones discussed in the pure mode drive plane results of the previous section. This is sensible, since in the wings, that is, far from the kink, the lattice should be expected to behave as a pure mode.

Looking first at the lower boundary of the stable region for the Type I kink, we see that the general behavior is similar for drive frequencies above 0.87. In particular, however, we note that the frequency at which node growth stabilizes has increased from 0.98 to 1.02. This is apparently due to the action of the kink in driving the node growth, which occurs most rapidly in the vicinity of the kink. Chaotic motion begins at roughly the same spot, with drive frequency of 1.06 and amplitude of 0.041. A particularly striking phenomenon that was observed was the migration of the kink to the right side of the lattice (from the middle) when the drive amplitude was lowered to 0.037, and the chaotic motion was strong. Figure IV.26 shows this kink after its migration.

Far to the left, below drive frequencies of 0.87, however, the boundary bends upwards from that observed for the pure mode. The reason for this was not initially

Drive Plane for the +0-0 Mode and Type I Kink

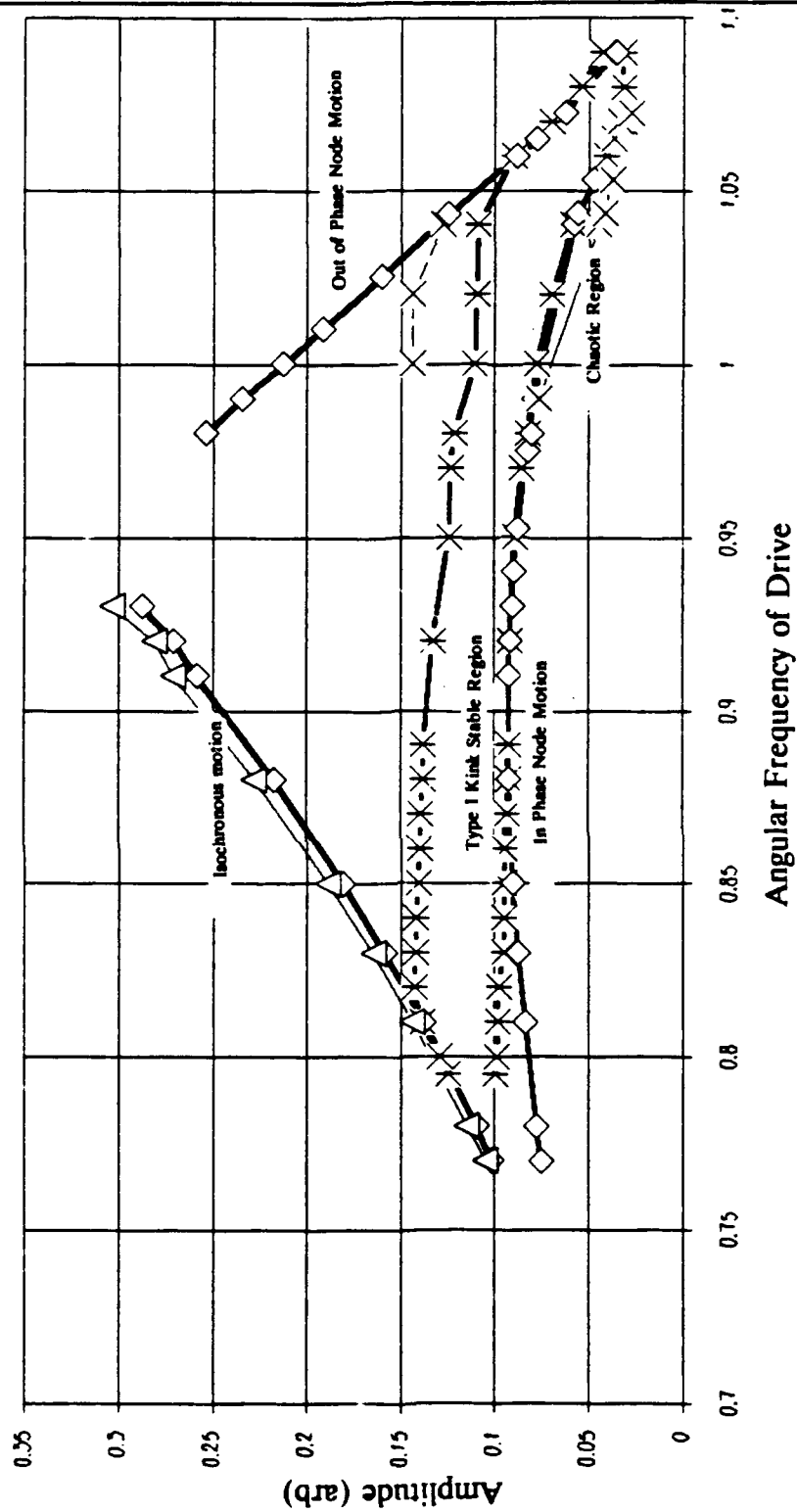


Fig IV.25. Drive plane for Softening Type I +0-0 Kink and Pure Mode.

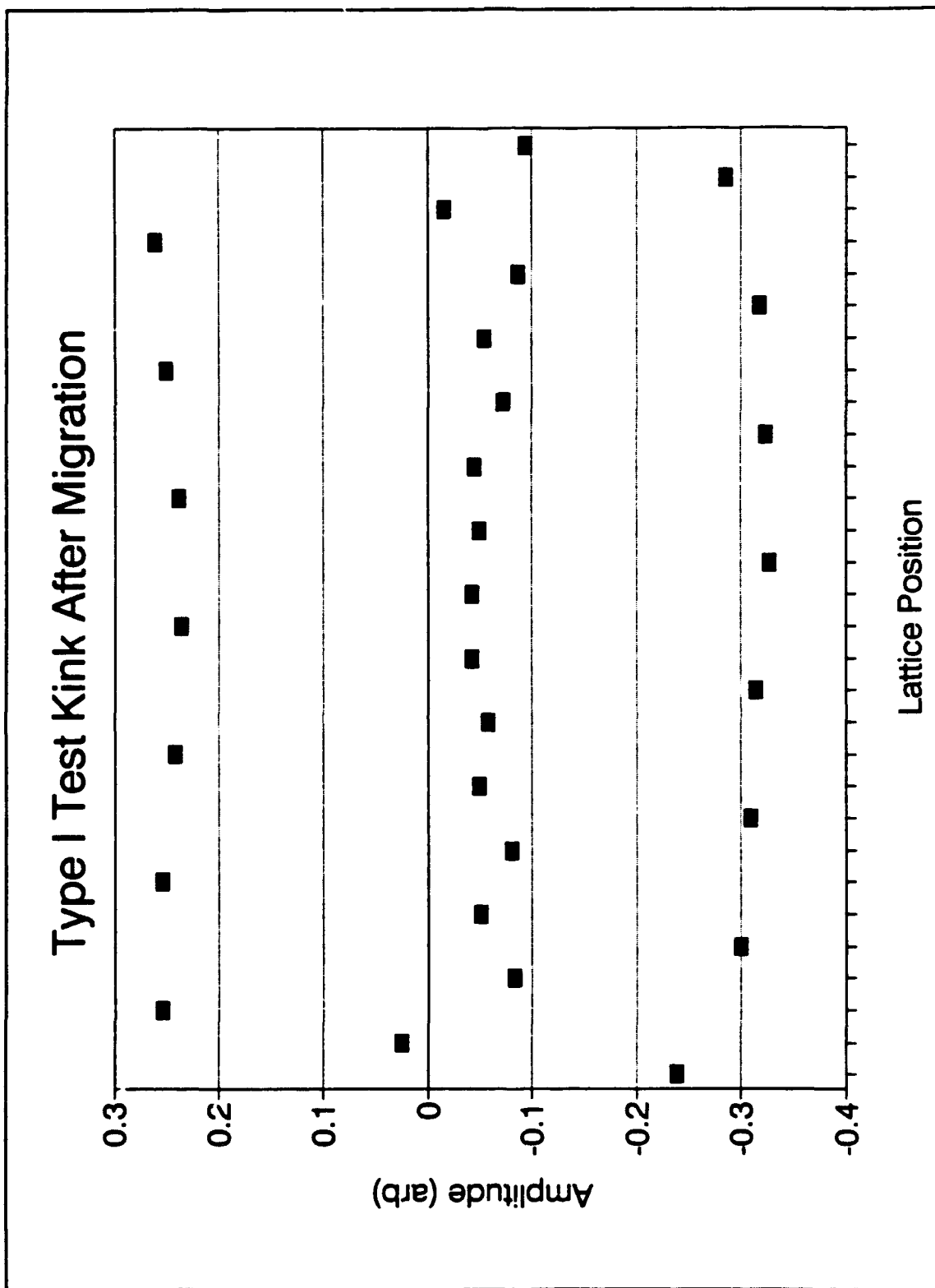


Fig IV.26. Test kink after migration.

clear, until suddenly at drive frequency 0.795, the kink went through a severe transient in which it made a transition from symmetric to antisymmetric states, with the latter being much sharper, that is, occupying two vice four lattice sites. It became clear then that the reason for the raised boundary is that, as we lower drive frequency and increase response amplitude (since it is a softening system), the kink tends to sharpen up. By analogy to the NLS kinks for which theoretical descriptions are well established, this sharpening was expected; what was unexpected was the sharp transient between kink geometries. This being the case, it appears that the symmetric kink can survive even at very low drive frequencies, but only at elevated drive amplitudes (which of course precludes node motion). If the amplitude is lowered, the nodes begin to move so as to bring the kink to its more stable (or lower energy) state, the antisymmetric state. As a qualitative check for this, it was verified that the antisymmetric kink was stable much closer to the original boundary of pure mode instability.

For drive frequencies above 1.06, which is close to the linear frequency of the upper cutoff mode, the line corresponding to out of phase node growth follows closely that of the pure mode, including the bending upward in the vicinity of drive frequency 1.09, which is the linear upper cutoff frequency. However, below drive frequency 1.06, the kink's stability boundary deviates sharply from the mode's. From that point all the way left to the isochronous curve (which matched that of the linear mode very closely), the boundary amplitude increased in a stepwise fashion. This very unusual and inexplicable result was checked carefully at the points indicated,

although it is possible that the boundary exhibits curvature in between the data points shown. This deviation from the pure mode case extends to the type of behavior as well as its location. In the small region above drive amplitude 0.11 and between frequencies of 0.99 and 1.04, there exist stable states with out of phase node motion; a steady state example is given in Figure IV.27. Observation of the development of such a steady state makes clear what the mechanism of the departure from the pure mode is. The kink apparently drives the nodes closest to it, so that, for sufficient drive amplitude, the node motion is propagated down the line of nodes and eventually grows. The node motion is thus a radiative event, and the node motion is not precisely out of phase as it is when the "out of phase instability" boundary is reached (that is, the upper right boundary of the pure mode drive plane). When the drive amplitude is increased at drive frequency 1.04 to just under the original out of phase instability curve, the lattice does indeed transition to the $++-$ mode in a complex (three kinks) state (Figure IV.28), suggesting that boundary still exists, but is just not reached before the kink drives the lattice out of its original steady state and into another. For drive frequencies below 0.99, the effect of the kink, which is now sharper and of greater amplitude, in driving the lattice is too great for a steady state to be reached with the nodes still small compared to the antinodes; the system "blows up".

Not all of the kinks observed numerically were of the "pure" types shown in Figures IV.18 through IV.23. Frequently, after some perturbation or change in initial conditions the lattice would, after a transient of varying length, emerge with one or

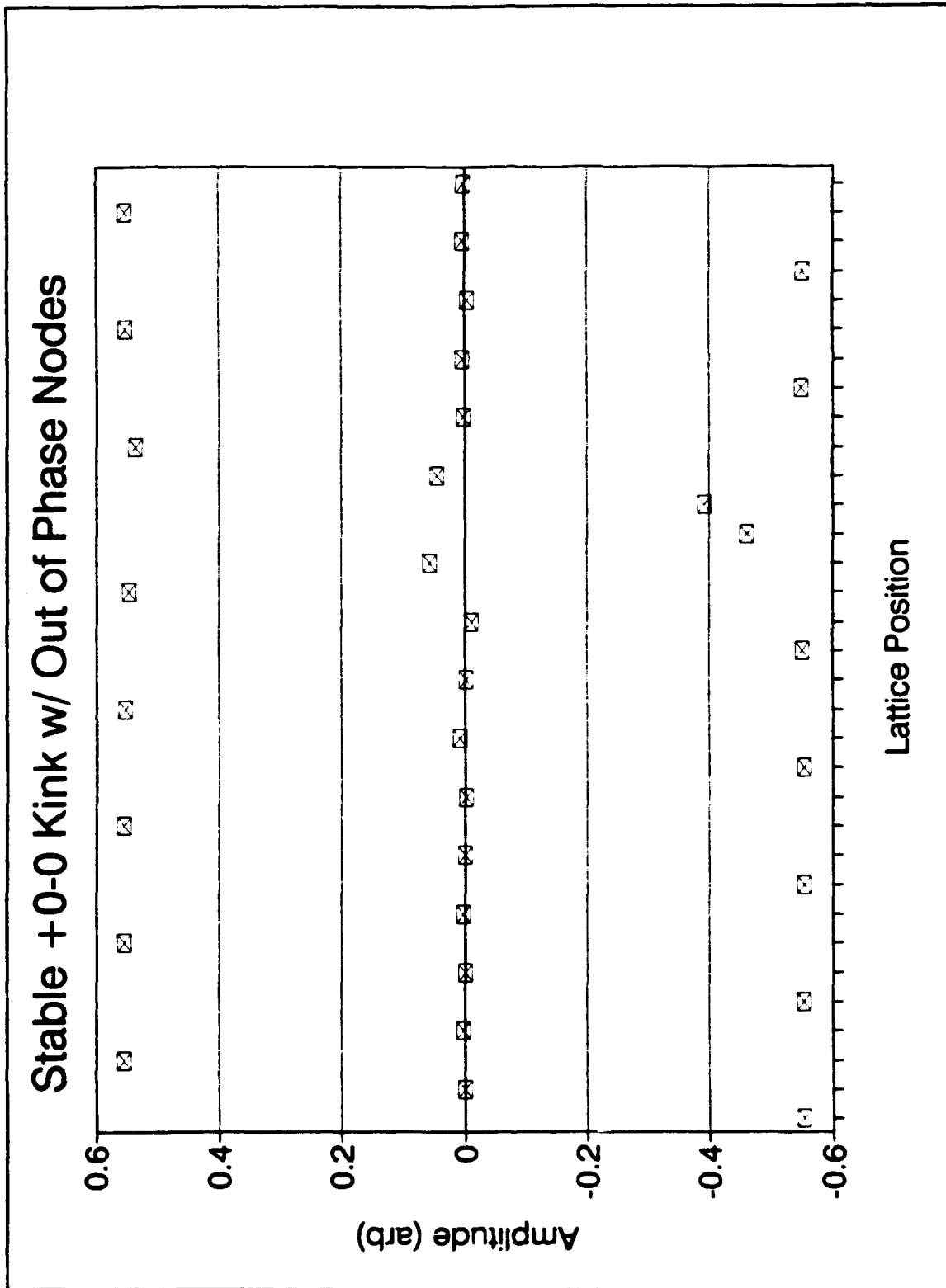
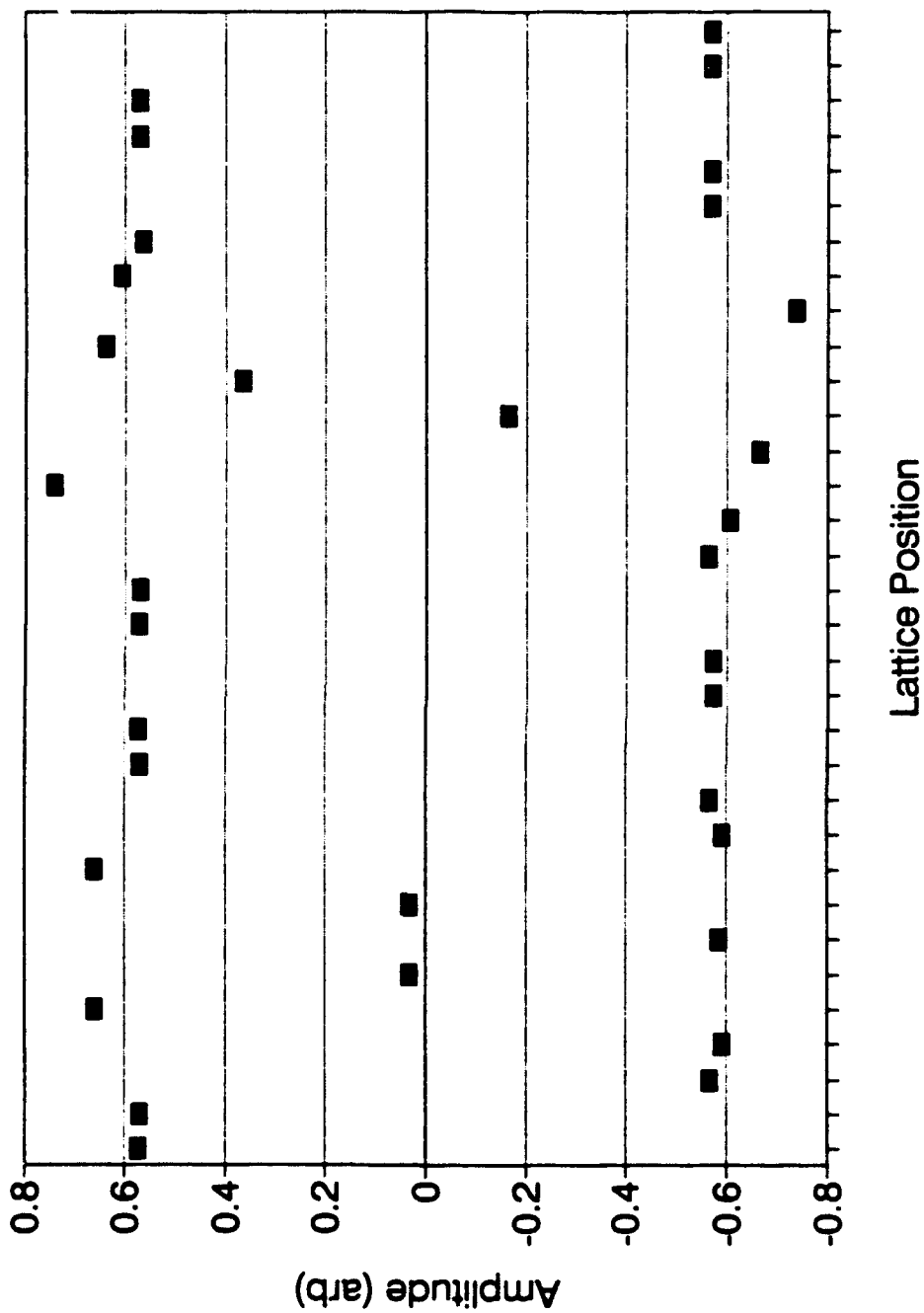


Fig IV.27. Steady state upper cutoff node motion in Type I kink drive plane.

Three Kinks in $++--$ Mode
 ("Kink" on right is two simple kinks)



more complex kinks. An example is shown in Figure IV.29. Using mismatch between left and right domains as our classification guide, we see that this is a Type II kink (that is, we find that antinodes in the right hand domain are where they should be if there had been no kink, but they are "up" when they should be "down" - Type II kink). Denardo has suggested that these complex versions of simple kink types be called "excited kinks", which is an attractive nomenclature, since it recalls the particle like qualities of solitons and confers on these states the characteristics of a particle which is in an excited energy state. Another way of viewing these phenomena, which ties in with the discussion later in this chapter of domain walls, is as kinks with inclusions, which might be termed the solid state analogy -- viewing these solitons as analogous to transitions in crystal lattices. Both views suffer from a lack of mathematical underpinnings, but they offer complementary insights into what is happening in the lattice.

In Chapter II, the symmetry properties of NLS solitons were noted and verified. It is a matter of great interest to determine the point on the dispersion curve, if there is one, about which this symmetry is based. Unfortunately, this question has not been resolved. However, some tantalizing hints have been found. In particular, it has been found that, if one takes a Type I softening kink of the +0-0 mode and performs the following manipulations on it, it transforms into a positive energy hardening kink:

$$\alpha \rightarrow -\alpha$$

IV.B.1

$$\omega \rightarrow \omega^{-1}$$

IV.B.2

where we have relied on the fact that we set

$$\omega_0 = 1.$$

IV.B.3

The hardening kink thus created has a span that is similar to that of the original softening kink, as seen in Figure IV.30. In the cutoff modes, such a transformation would convert from breather to kink, but here it only takes us from a negative energy to a positive energy kink -- the wings here still have finite amplitude. Thus the relation of this phenomenon to the symmetry between breathers and kinks is not confirmed; in fact, no attempt has been made yet to determine whether lambda four breathers even exist.

A classification of hardening +0-0 kinks can undoubtedly be made along the lines indicated above for the softening case; here we have focused almost exclusively on the softening case in order to take advantage of the experimental work going on with the softening pendulum lattice. An additional type of hardening +0-0 kink has been observed, and is shown in Figure IV.31.

One phenomenon that was observed in a hardening lattice that has not been observed elsewhere yet, and which has tremendous possibilities, was a temporally phase shifted kink (Figure IV.32). Whereas all of the previous nonlinear structures studied in this work and its predecessors have relied on spatial phase shifts and

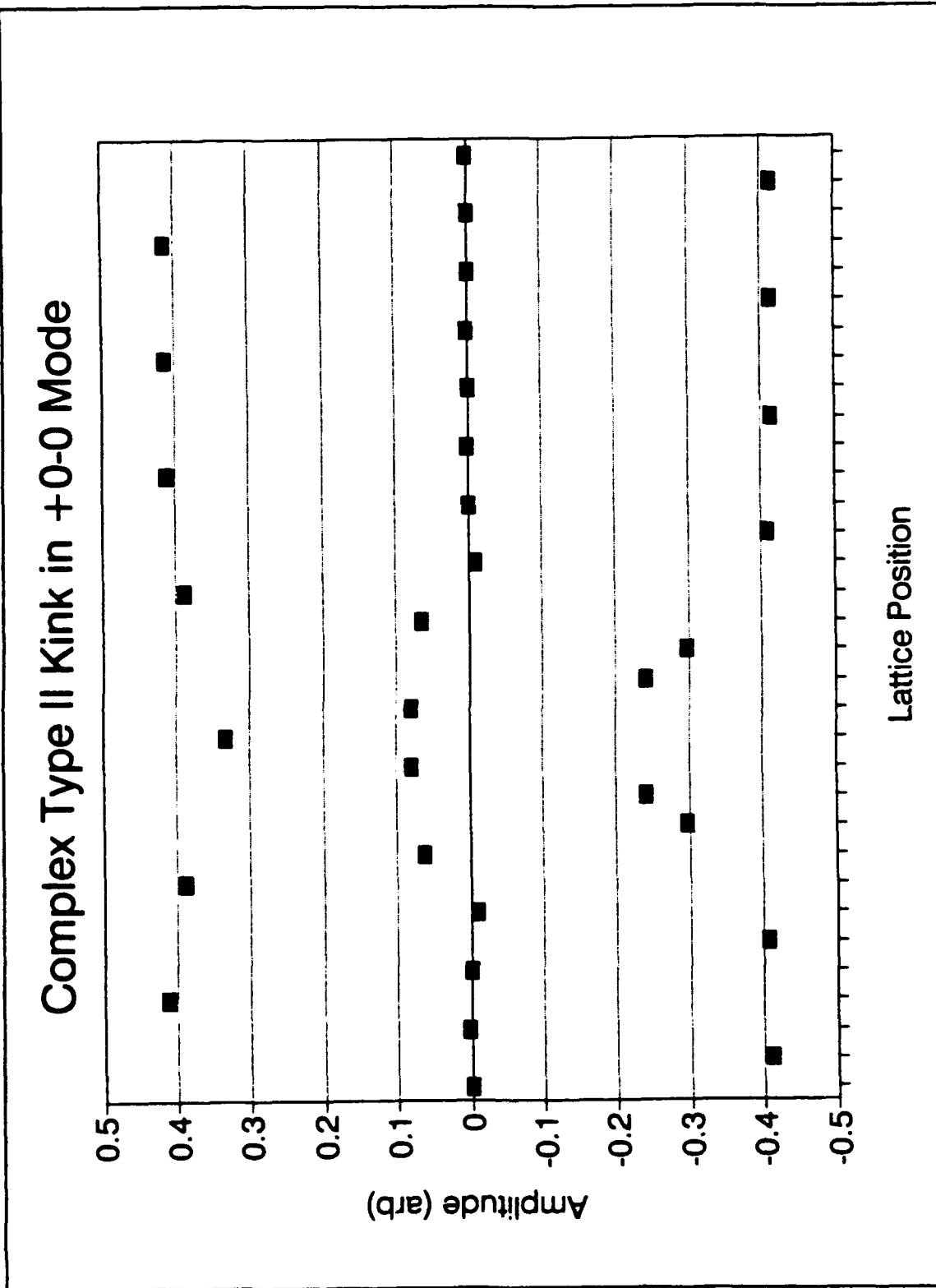


Fig IV.29. Complex Type II +0-0 kink.

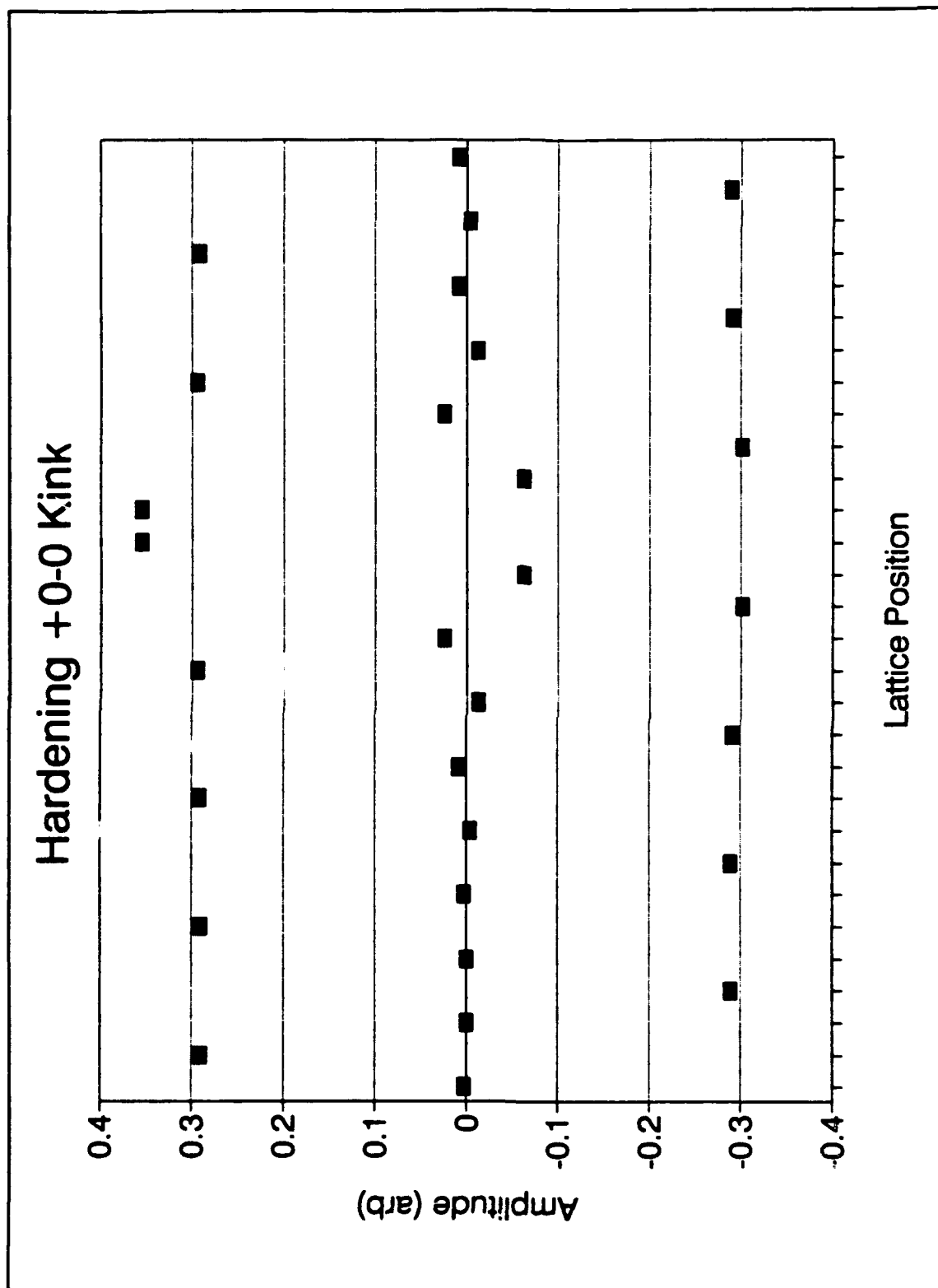


Fig IV.30. Example of hardening +0-0 kink.

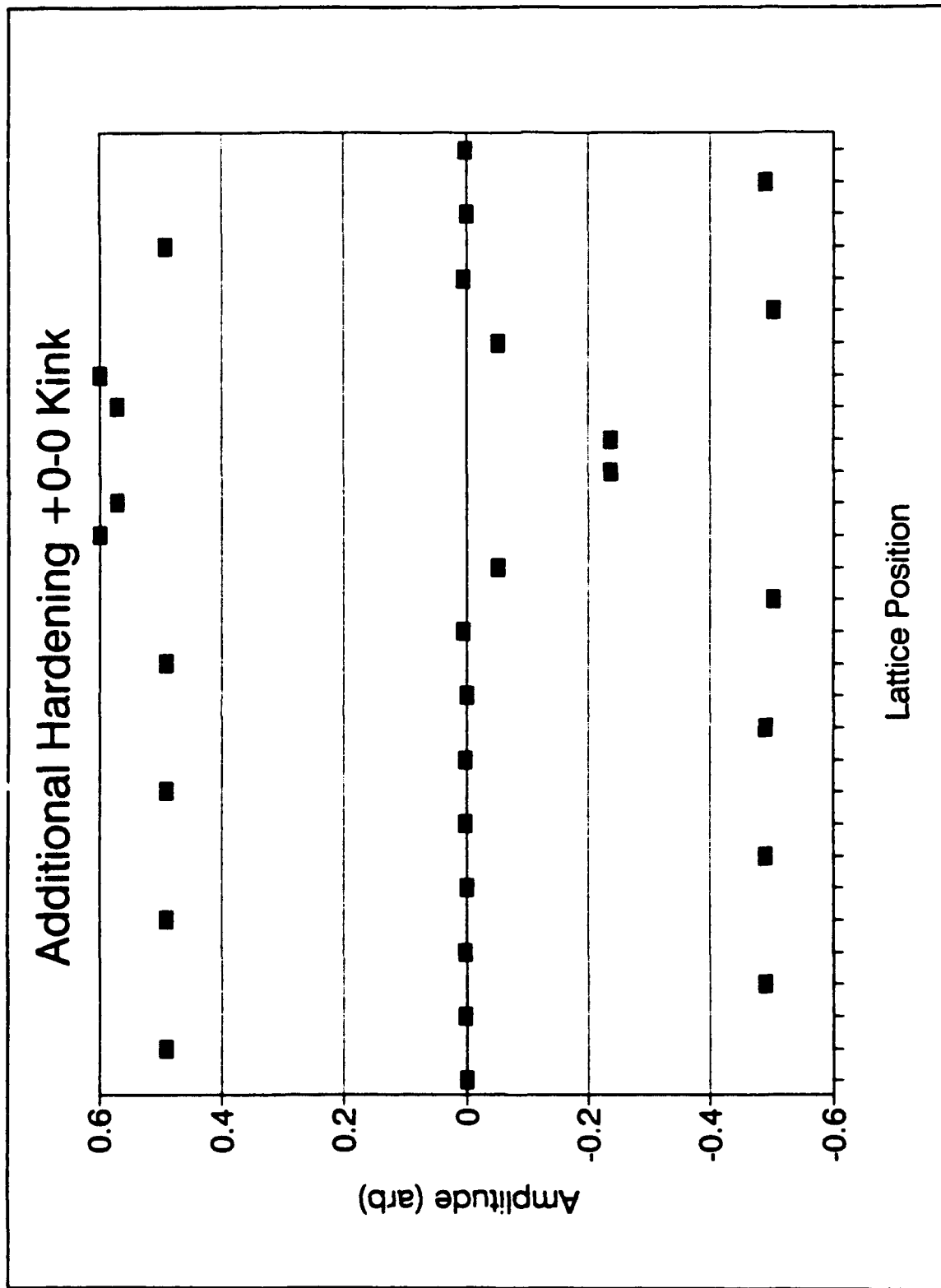


Fig IV.32. Additional type of hardening +0-0 Kink.

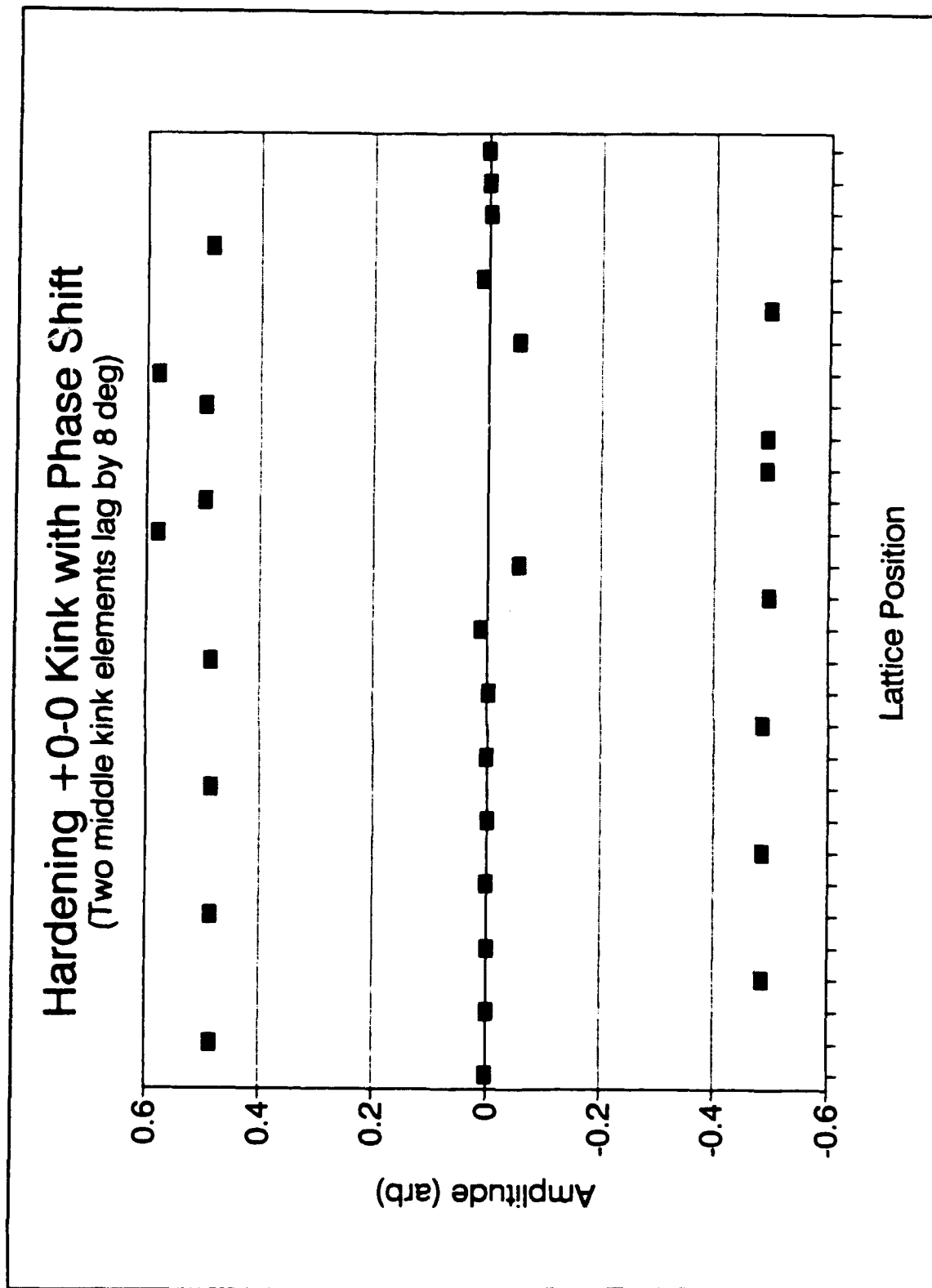


Fig IV.33. Hardening +0-0 kink which relies on Temporal phase shift.

amplitude modulation to maintain monofrequency response, which is the bottom line requirement for steady state to exist, this kink relied additionally on an eight degree temporal phase lead in one of the elements to maintain monofrequency response. There is no reason to assume that there isn't an entire range of phenomena relying on similar phase shifts, but thus far only the one example has been observed (to my knowledge).

The extreme richness of behavior encountered in the $+0-0$ mode led to a conscious decision to focus on it to the virtual exclusion of the other lambda four modes. However, there is every reason to expect a similar degree of complexity to govern the behavior of these modes as well. The large number of additional modes intermediate between the cutoff modes have been studied almost not at all, although many kinks have been seen in them as a by product of the work presented here. Specifically, kinks have been observed in modes with wavelengths of three, five, six, seven, and eleven. The phenomenon of kinks appears to be ubiquitous.

C. DOMAIN WALLS IN THE NONLINEAR LATTICE.

The phenomenon of domain walls is well known from the study of crystal structure, electromagnetism, and superconductivity. A domain wall in a lattice is a (usually sharp) boundary between two different domains. An example would be a boundary between the upper cutoff mode and the lambda four mode. Typically, the two domains are independent of each other and of the wall beyond a very short interaction distance; that is, domain walls are local phenomena. They have been

observed experimentally in the pendulum lattice, although systematic study only began recently, in parallel with this work. There is very little theoretical understanding of the phenomenon, however, especially when the transition between domains takes place over a finite length scale.

While domain walls had been a topic intended for research at the end of this work, if at all, events intervened when they appeared on their own during an investigation of lambda four kinks. When the positive energy (Type II) lambda four kink was first demonstrated, the form obtained was not that given in the previous section. In fact, it was an "excited" state, or a state with inclusions, depending on how one chooses to view the phenomenon. Figure IV.33 shows the original state, and Figure IV.34 shows what appeared when the indicated elements were removed (by dumping the data to a file and then editing the file). As guessed, the removal of the indicated elements did not adversely affect the stability or identity of the kink. The remarkable flatness of the "kink", as it was initially viewed, suggested strongly that it might instead be a domain wall. To test this hypothesis, the elements constituting the flat region of the structure were removed and the lattice restarted. Not too surprisingly, a stable positive energy kink of normal size resulted. However, it was also possible to extend the flat region by placing identical elements (i.e., elements with same amplitude and velocity) in the middle of it, and then removing the original primary domain. This resulted in a stable negative energy kink of the upper cutoff mode!

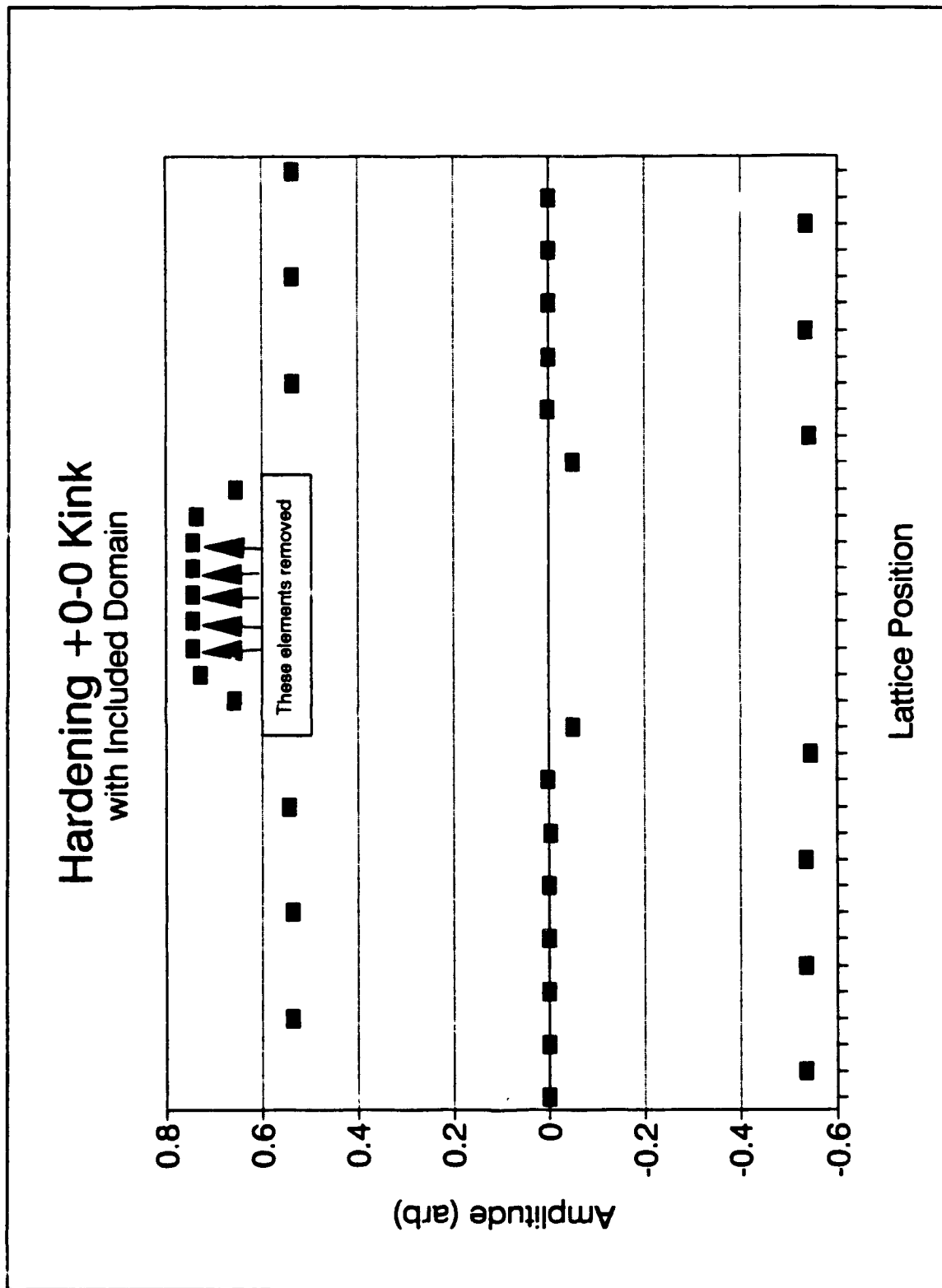


Fig IV.33. Lambda Four Type II Kink with inclusions.

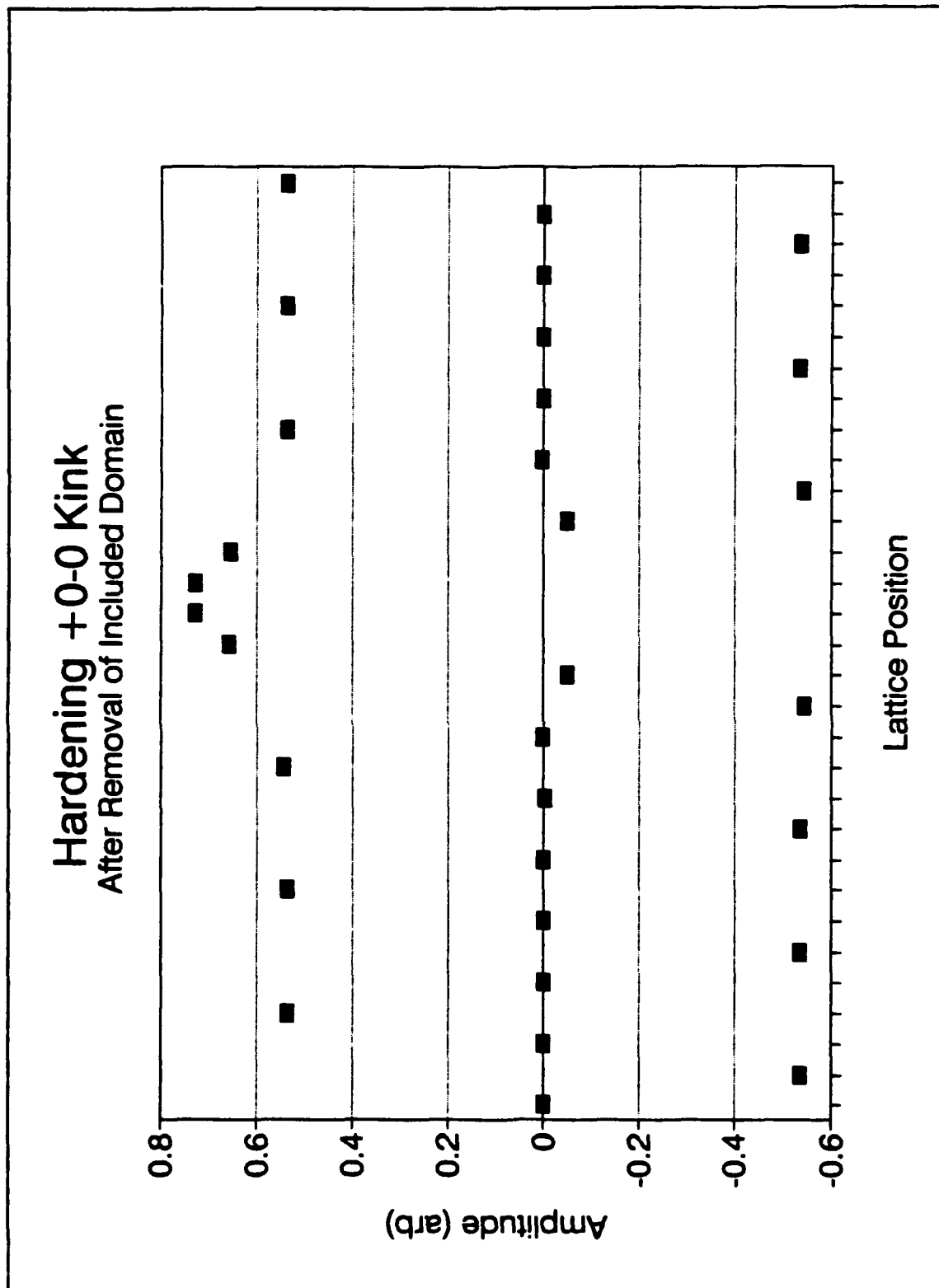


Fig IV.34. Same kink as Figure 34, with indicated elements removed.

The simple elegance of this result strongly suggests that domain walls might profitably be viewed as regions where a negative energy kink in one domain and a positive energy kink in the other exactly match some set of boundary conditions, such that the pair of kinks is stable, and the domains on each side are unaffected by the presence of the other. It is interesting to realize that the use of periodic boundary conditions in my model made this conclusion more evident, since one always needs and even number of domain walls in order to meet the periodic boundary conditions. Thus the idea of either domain as an inclusion in a kink of the other is visually evident, whereas if domain walls had been studied as structures in their own right from the beginning, the connection might not have become apparent.

Since that auspicious beginning, the only significant result obtained concerning domain walls (excepting the reaction to media nonuniformities, which will be discussed in Chapter V), is that they too are ubiquitous. This fact should not be surprising, since kinks, the building blocks (evidently) of domain walls, are ubiquitous. In fact, the wide variety of domain walls observed to date, including the extreme case of upper cutoff/lower cutoff domain walls, suggests that, for any positive energy kink, there will exist a domain wall solution with any mode that exhibits a negative energy kink, whose amplitude would be higher than the original mode, and vice versa. So, for example, in the hardening case, one would expect an upper cutoff positive energy kink would have domain wall solutions with any other mode which the lattice can support (i.e., limited only by lattice size and mode stability constraints).

The further study of intermediate modes is obviously necessary, and domain walls are one of the most important areas. Their potential bearing on many technologically important areas in solid state physics and critical point phenomena demands a close examination. Moreover, the need for a comprehensive theoretical treatment that allows all of the phenomena observed to date is critical.

V. EXTENSION OF THE BASIC RESULTS.

A. THE TWO DIMENSIONAL LATTICE.

As a natural extension of the work reported to this point, a two dimensional model using the same physical ideas was developed. Only some very preliminary work has been done, but enough has been discovered to warrant future work in this area. While no theoretical work has been done for the two dimensional case yet, it will be useful to speculate a little on the likely course the theory will follow, since it allows an interpretation to be made of the results presented that at least seems reasonable.

The model used still featured nearest neighbor interactions only, but now in two dimensions. Diagonal interactions are specifically ignored, however. The exact equation of motion is given by

$$\ddot{x}_{m,n} - \gamma(x_{m+1,n} + x_{m-1,n} + x_{m,n+1} + x_{m,n-1} - 4x_{m,n}) - \beta\dot{x}_{m,n} + (\omega_0^2 + 2\eta\cos 2\omega t)x_{m,n} - \alpha x_{m,n}^3 = 0 \quad \text{V.A.1}$$

Here m and n represent the row and column number, respectively. We can see quickly, by analogy to the one dimensional case, that the "upper cutoff" case, where each element is exactly 180° out of phase with each of its four neighbors, has a linear frequency given by

$$\omega_{1,1}^2 - \omega_0^2 + 8\gamma. \quad \text{V.A.2}$$

It is also clear that, in the case where the lattice is upper cutoff along one of the axes of the lattice and lower cutoff along the other, that

$$\omega_{0,1}^2 - \omega_{1,0}^2 - \omega_0^2 + 4\gamma, \quad \text{V.A.3}$$

which of course is the linear upper cutoff frequency for the one dimensional lattice. This is obvious, since the lattice sees no coupling in the lower cutoff axis' direction. In fact, the elimination of diagonal interactions effectively decouples the two orthogonal directions x and y, so that the linear dispersion relation can be written by direct analogy to that of the one dimensional lattice:

$$\omega^2 - \omega_0^2 + 4\gamma \sin^2\left(\frac{k_x}{2}\right) + 4\gamma \sin^2\left(\frac{k_y}{2}\right). \quad \text{V.A.4}$$

Considering the cutoff cases, of which there are now four, we see that, again by analogy to previous work,

$$\frac{\partial^2 \theta}{\partial t^2} + c^2 \left(\frac{\partial^2 \theta}{\partial x^2} + \frac{\partial^2 \theta}{\partial y^2} \right) + \omega_{mn}^2 \theta - \alpha \theta^3, \quad \text{V.A.5}$$

where m and n are either 0 or 1. Without for the time being proceeding to formal proofs, we note the similarity of this equation with the one dimensional case, and speculate that the system may be represented by a two dimensional NLS equation.

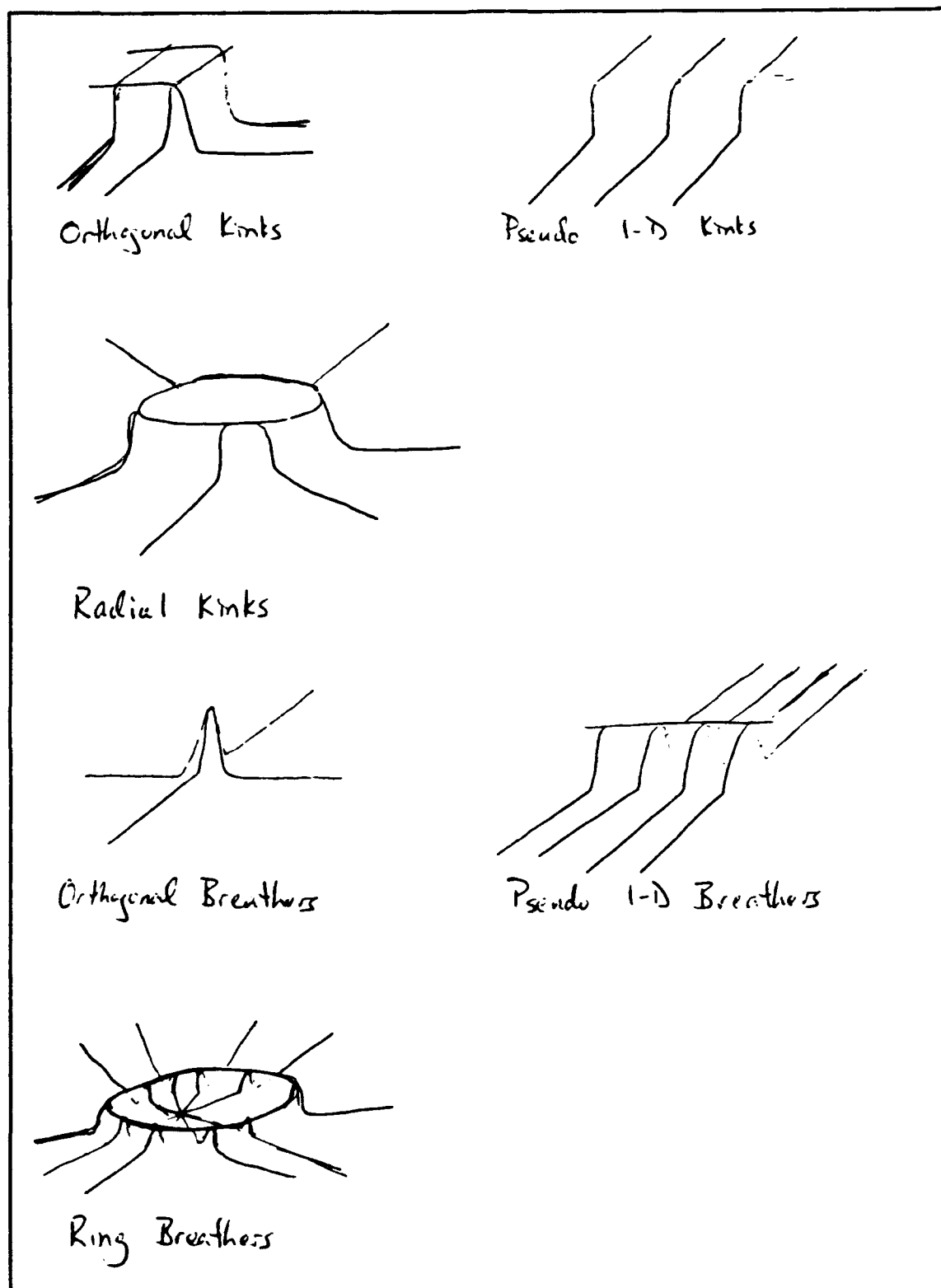


Fig. V.1. Examples of possible 2D cutoff mode NLS solitons.

Accordingly, it is reasonable to suppose that one might find solitons in the two dimensional cutoff lattice resembling the NLS solitons observed in one dimension. It may be that the soliton is truly two dimensional, or it may be coupled to a pure mode in the orthogonal direction. Figure V.1 shows some of the structures one might hope to find in the cutoff two dimensional lattice.

Not surprisingly, the two dimensional lattice displayed fascinating behavior from the very beginning. The initial conditions used for most of the earliest work consisted of sinusoidal modulations in the x and y directions, with exactly one wavelength spanning the x and y directions. In all of these cases, the lattice displayed behavior that could be divided neatly into three time scales. On the first time scale, of a hundred or so periods, consisted of a rapid disordering of the lattice as the initial disturbance radiated energy (now in two dimensions, so the radiation is more complex). Over the next several hundred periods, in every case the lattice resolved itself into a small number of domains of the original modulated cutoff mode, with each of the domains being 180° out of phase with its neighbors. Figure V.2 shows the end of such a period for one set of initial conditions. On the final time scale, a mechanism which is not well understood but acts in a fashion similar to surface tension (see below) did indeed reduce the lattice to a single cutoff domain. This time scale was often very long, since in some cases the surface tension, or net difference in force sensed by each domain, was often quite small. Figure V.3 shows the same lattice as seen in Figure V.2, late in this evolution.

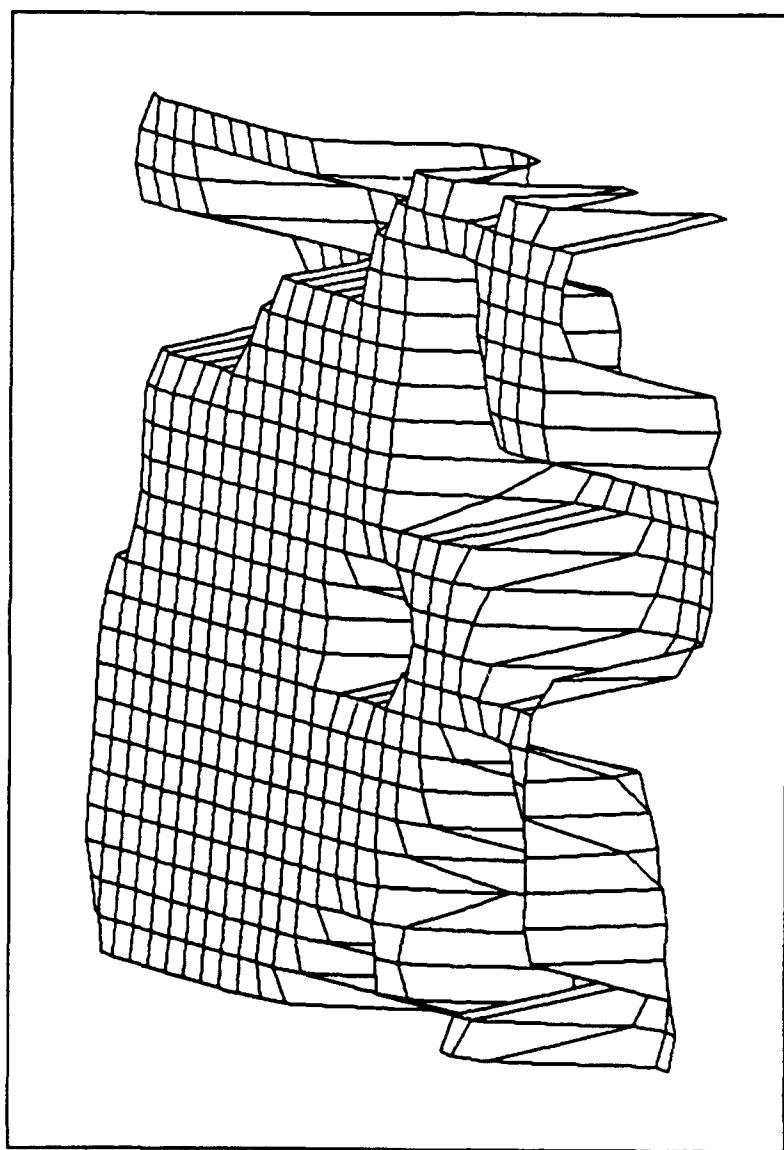


Fig V.2. A 2D lattice at the end of the second time scale.

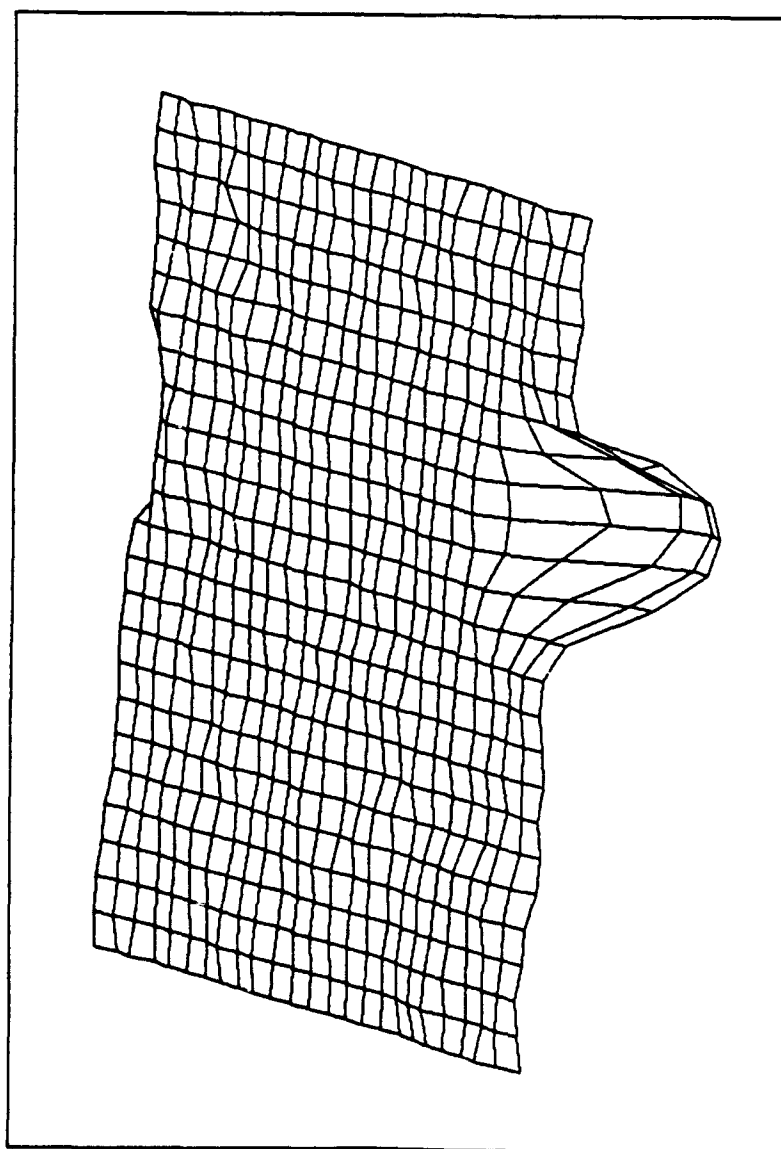


Fig. V.3. The same lattice, late in the final time scale.

The results of these initial investigations made it clear that, if kinks were to exist, they would have to exist in some geometry which gave neither domain (there are effectively only two, since they are 180° out of phase) a dominant position. A few obvious geometries are shown in Figure V.4; all of them did indeed support kinks. Figure V.5 shows a very striking example, which resembles two NLS negative energy kinks, one in the x and one in the y directions. This result was very encouraging, if not unexpected, for it strongly supports the notion that the theoretical description of the two dimensional lattice will be very similar to that of the one dimensional lattice. Of course, this rosy picture would immediately fall apart if diagonal interactions were allowed in the model, as cross derivatives would then abound in the equations of motion!

Figure V.6 shows the same kink as seen in Figure V.5, but with a complex structure that resides at each of the intersections between the x and y kinks. This was actually the first two dimensional kink seen, and was used as the starting point in getting to Figure V.5. The structures seen are very stable, and they are certainly not yet understood.

The final quick foray into the two dimensional arena which was undertaken was an effort to determine if there existed stable breathers. Initially, it was felt that such structures might not exist, due to the existence of diffraction effects. However, they were found to exist; in fact, it turns out that if one starts with a lattice completely at rest and then kicks one element (preferably the middle one for visualization purposes) with a reasonable amplitude (i.e., enough that nonlinearities

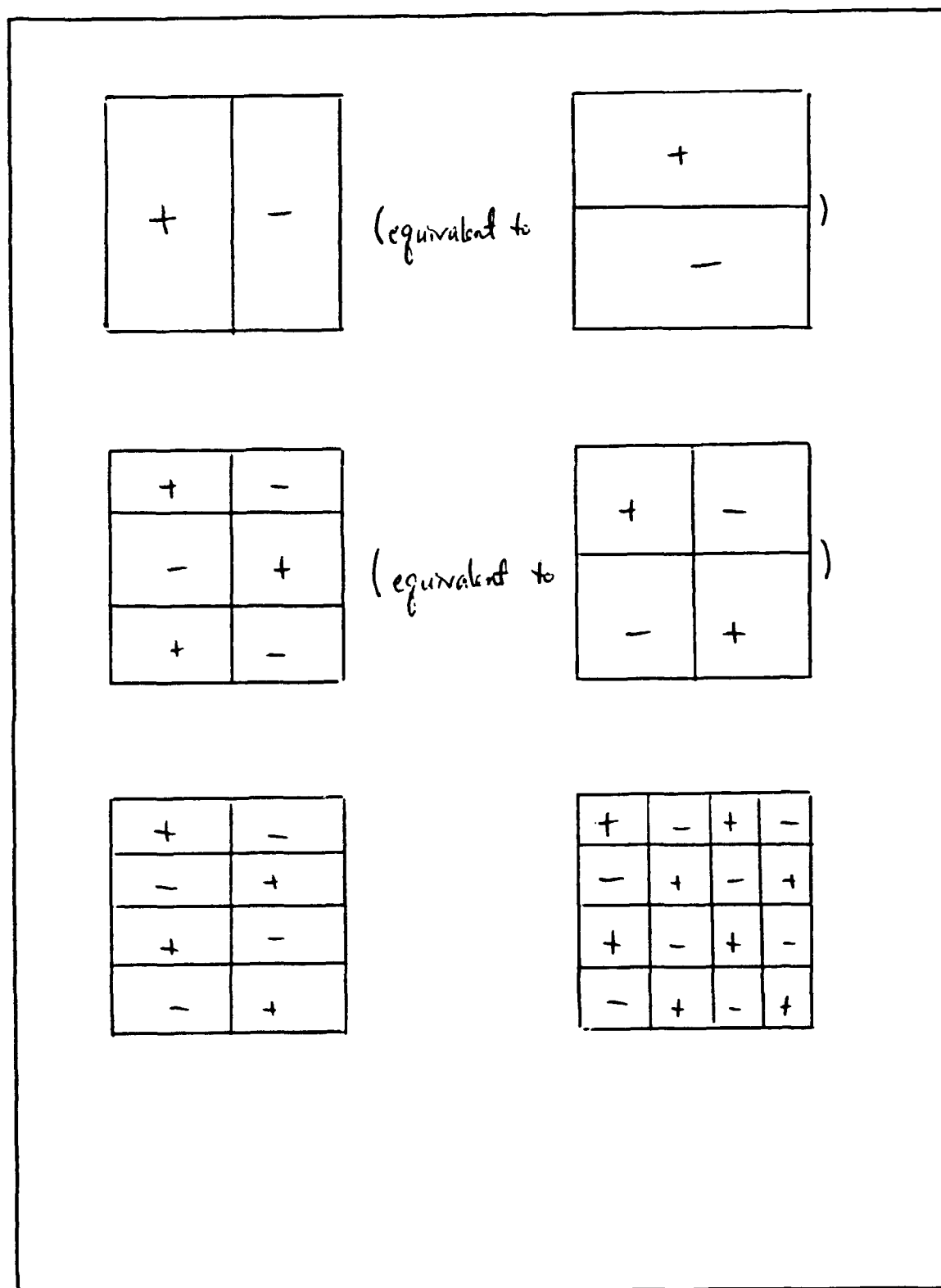


Fig. V.4. Possible geometries for stable 2D kinks, where surface tension is zero.

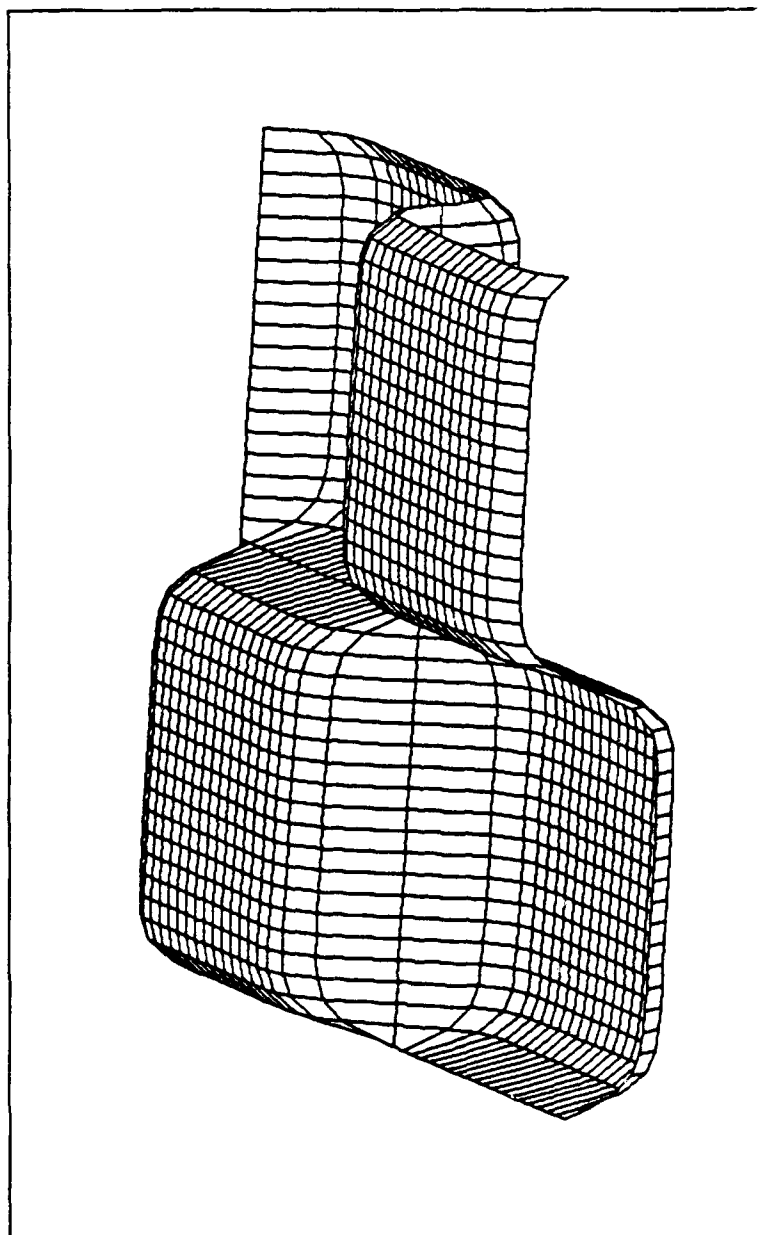


Fig. V.5. An actual 2D lattice with symmetric kinks.

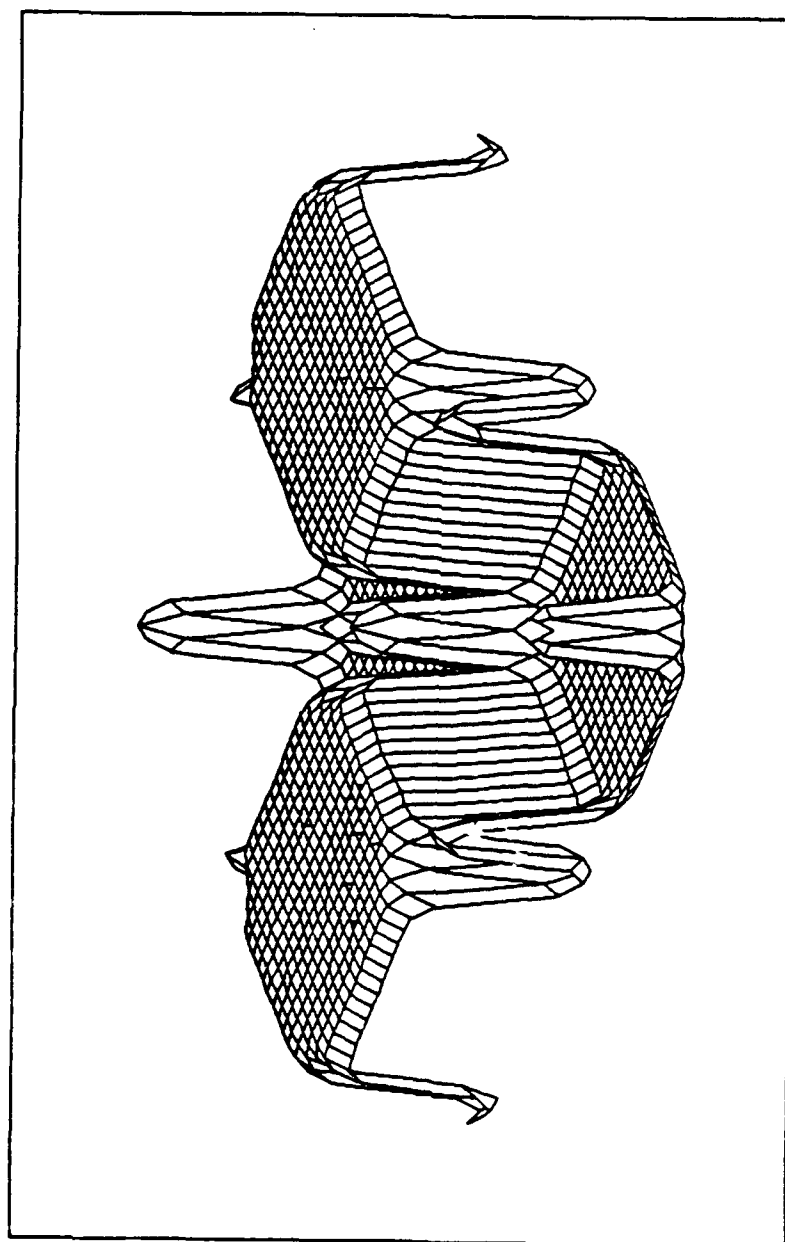


Fig. V.6. The same lattice with complex structures at the kink intersections.

can play a significant role), and in fact a great deal of radiation occurs initially which leaves behind a very clean two dimensional breather, seen in Figure V.7. It is actually easier to get a two dimensional breather than a one dimensional one, because the radiation spreads out in two dimensions and is much more rapidly attenuated. Even in the free case, a very clean breather can be obtained, since the energy radiated away as the breather seeks its equilibrium shape has to spread itself over the entire two dimensional span of the lattice, resulting in very low amplitude radiation passing through the breather at any given time (although of course there is always some).

A theoretical consideration which was suggested for the first time by the results obtained with the two dimensional lattice is the idea of "surface tension" at domain boundaries. Suppose for the moment that two similar domains are connected by a kink of some two dimensional shape. An example which will motivate the discussion is given in Figure V.8. The question arises whether one or the other of the domains will dominate the other; that is, will one domain gradually force all of the elements of the other to shift modes? As it turns out, this is indeed the case. In fact, for two domains of similar amplitude (i.e., identical domains separated by kinks), the domain which is concave will dominate the convex domain, regardless of the size of the domain.

That this is the case is reasonable, when the issue is considered as analogous to the phenomenon of surface tension. Since the concave domain exerts more force per boundary element on the convex domain than vice versa (because it has more

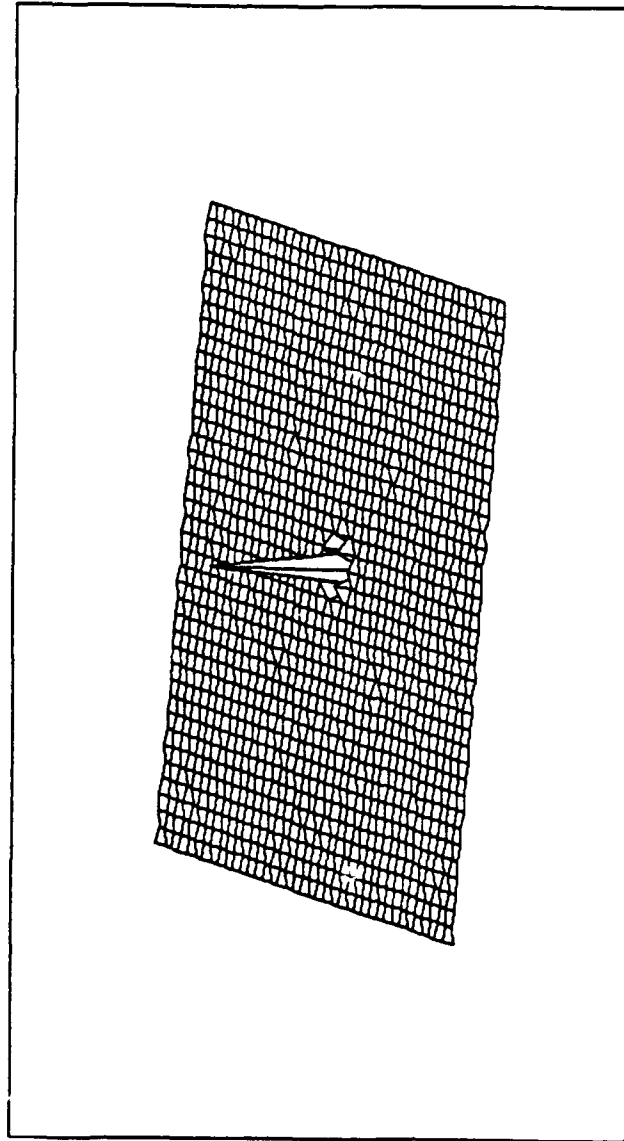
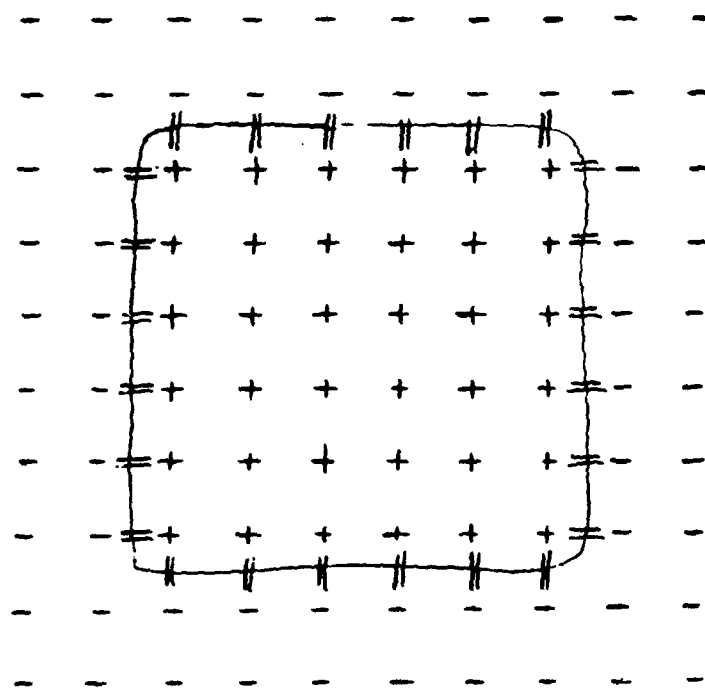


Fig V.7. 2D breather resulting from kicking of middle element.



24 Intermodal Coupling Pairs

20 Coupled + Elements

24 Coupled - Elements

$$\text{"SURFACE TENSION"} = \frac{4 \text{ Coupling Units}}{20 \text{ Lattice Spacing Distance Units}}$$

In general, as the size of a square region increases, the surface tension decreases linearly.

Fig. V.8 Surface tension in two dimensional domain boundaries.

elements interacting at the boundary), there is an effective surface tension, or net force, acting on the convex domain. Since, unlike the case of an air filled bubble being compressed in water, there is no reaction force which builds up as compression takes place, the convex domain is gradually "compressed" away. It should be noted that this phenomenon depends on the fact that coupling of an element to its home domain is negligible, so that one can simply add up the coupling forces to the opposite domain to determine the dominant domain.

Presumably a modified version of this rule would be operative when dissimilar domains are in contact; however, it is not immediately clear what exact form the rule would take after the differences in mean amplitudes are accounted for. In any case, no numerical data for such cases has so far been collected, so it remains a truly open question (as does virtually everything having to do with two dimensional lattices given by (V.A.1)!).

This brief extension of the lattice model into two dimensions leaves much left to explore. It is clear, though, that there are many new phenomena likely to reward such efforts. The model also permits study of surfaces, including radiation and finite structures, providing that sufficient computer power is available to provide a small enough discretization of the surface (that is, more memory is needed, since the model is limited on the machine used to a 40x40 lattice, which is not adequate to use for a surface model).

B. THE NONUNIFORM LATTICE.

As a second attempt to extend the work reported in Chapters III and IV, an investigation was made into the effects of nonuniformities on lattice behavior. To some extent, this work was motivated by results obtained on the experimental lattice, since it was assumed that that lattice was nonuniform, and the effects and indeed types of nonuniformities needed to be understood if the experimental work is to be joined to the numerical. Additionally, it was desired to test a method of removing the effects of nonuniformities which had been tried by the group at UCLA with which we closely worked. This method consisted of first measuring the amplitudes of each element in the lattice in a pure cutoff mode, then dividing these results into the measured lattice amplitudes in the presence of solitons. While this method was based on intuition, it proved to give smooth results from results that had been difficult to interpret. This method of division greatly facilitated their study of solitons, but it needed to be verified before full confidence was placed in it.

Originally, variations in coupling, natural frequency, and nonlinear coefficient were tried. The nonlinear coefficient was found to affect results only slightly. Accordingly, only results from nonuniformities in coupling and natural frequency are discussed in this chapter. Of these, natural frequency was the most studied, although only because of time constraints.

The parameters were varied in three different methods -- randomly, with a linear gradient, and with sinusoidal gradients. The program allowed the user to choose the type of variation and the amount. Also, it was during these investigations

that a waterfall display was added to the program so that a parameter could be instantaneously changed by one of the three methods just mentioned, and the impact viewed in a format which made changes easier to identify.

Finally, before proceeding to discuss actual results, it should be noted that no attempt has yet been made to fit these and the experimental results into a theoretical framework. This work follows in the time honored tradition of forging ahead with experimentation in order to provide grist for the theoreticians' mill, although I frankly would have preferred to have tended that mill myself, had time allowed!

The first result was obtained early in this thesis research, using an older version of the program in which the nonlinear coefficient was allowed to vary. It was found that the division method developed by the UCLA group [Putterman, unpublished, 1990] was valid. An example is shown in Figures V.9 through V.11. The rough soliton-like structure in Figure V.9 was divided, element by element, by the amplitudes of the cutoff mode in Figure V.10 to produce the smooth soliton seen in Figure V.11. The method was found to be valid for both coupling and natural frequency variations. One additional item noted, which served as the starting point for later work on nonuniformities, was that, for softening nonlinearities, the solitons invariably moved to the local minimum in the varied parameter. Since reduction in coupling leads to a reduction in frequency, this result means that, in general, softening kinks move to the local minimum frequency in the lattice.

In order to characterize the behavior of kinks, breathers, and domain walls in various types of nonuniform lattices, we returned to this line of inquiry recently.

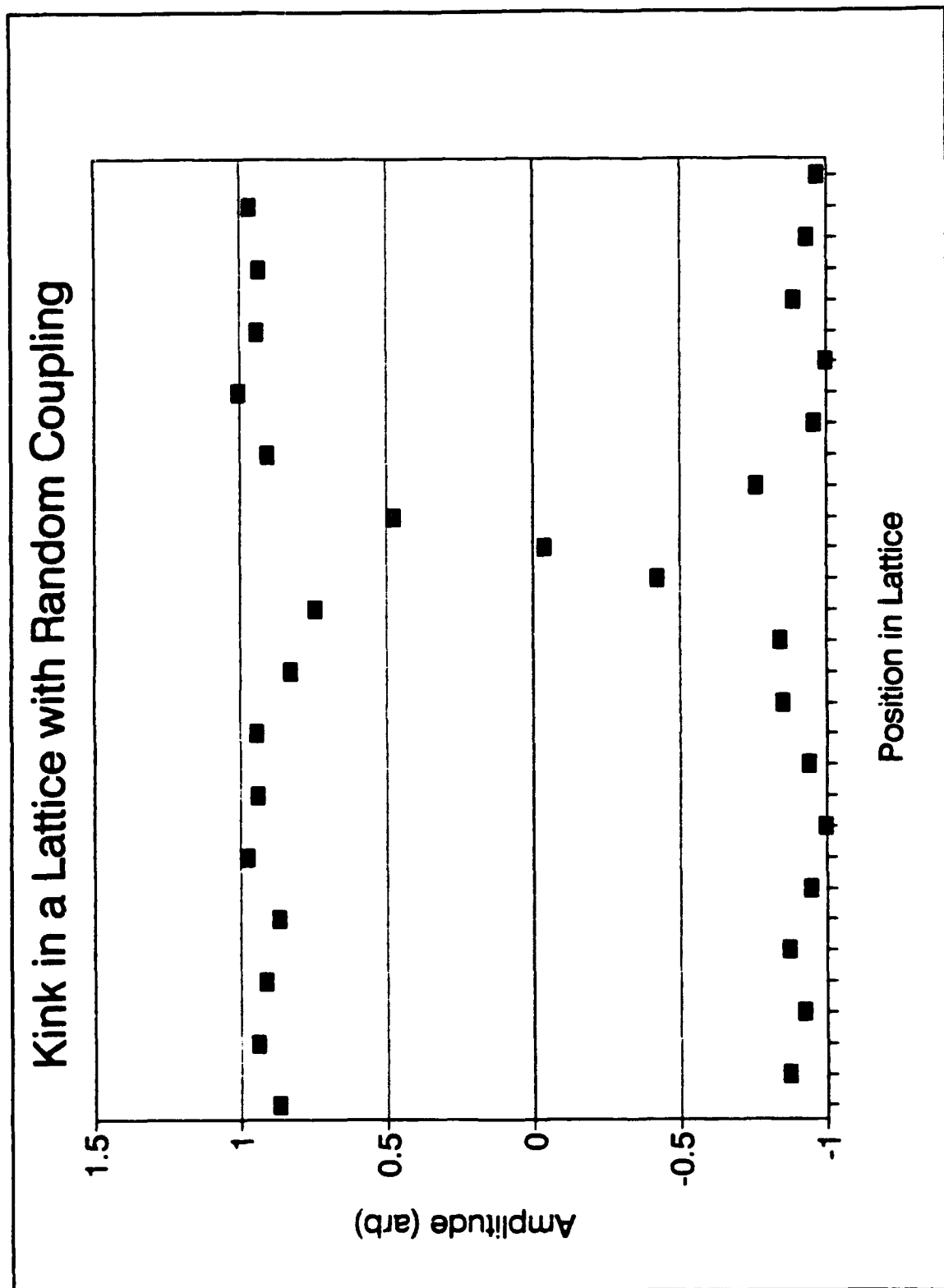


Fig. V.9. Soliton in a random coupling lattice.

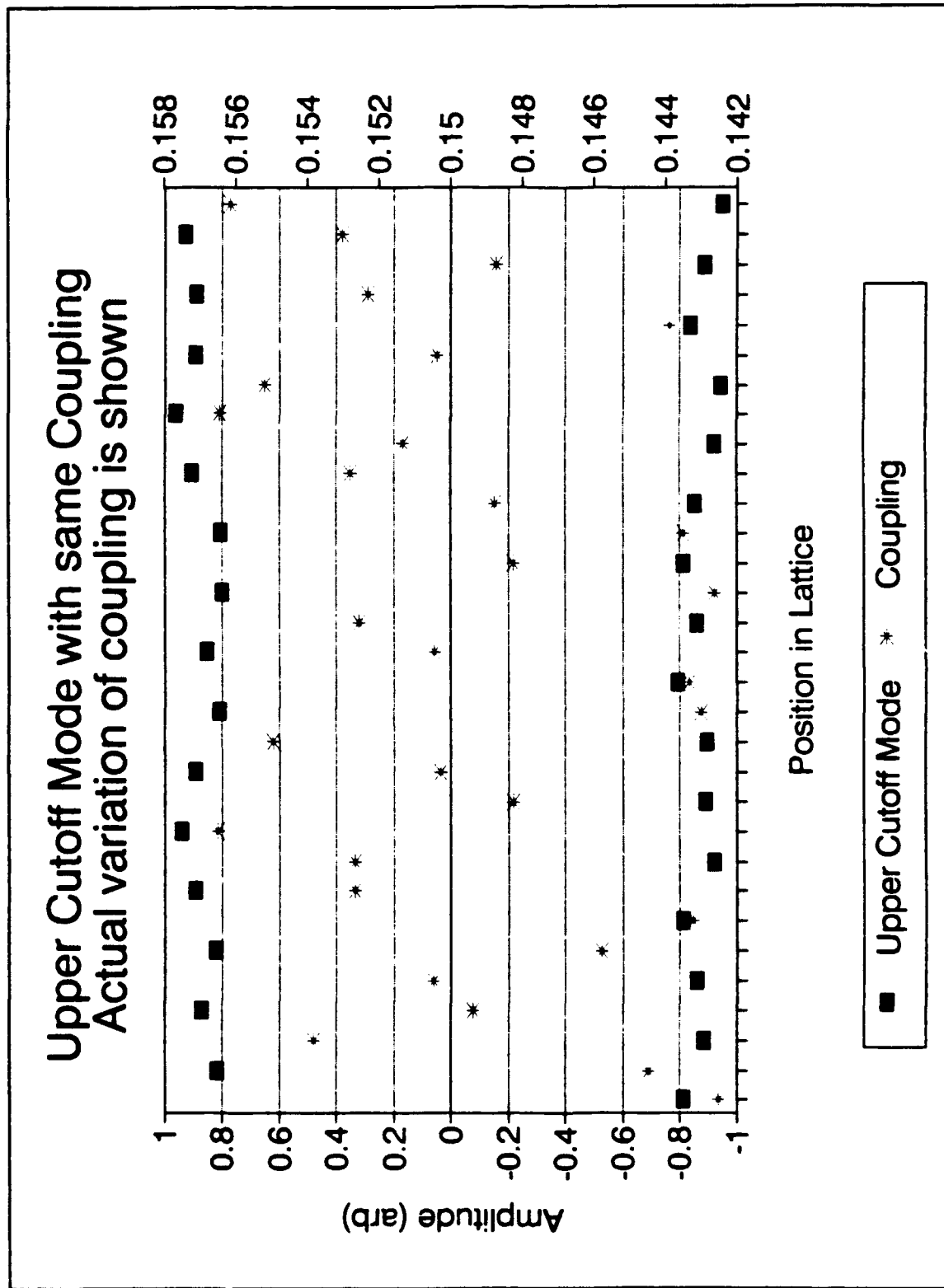


Fig. V.10. Actual variation in coupling of lattice in Fig. 1, with pure mode shown.

Kink Envelope from Fig. V.9 After the UCLA Division Method is Used

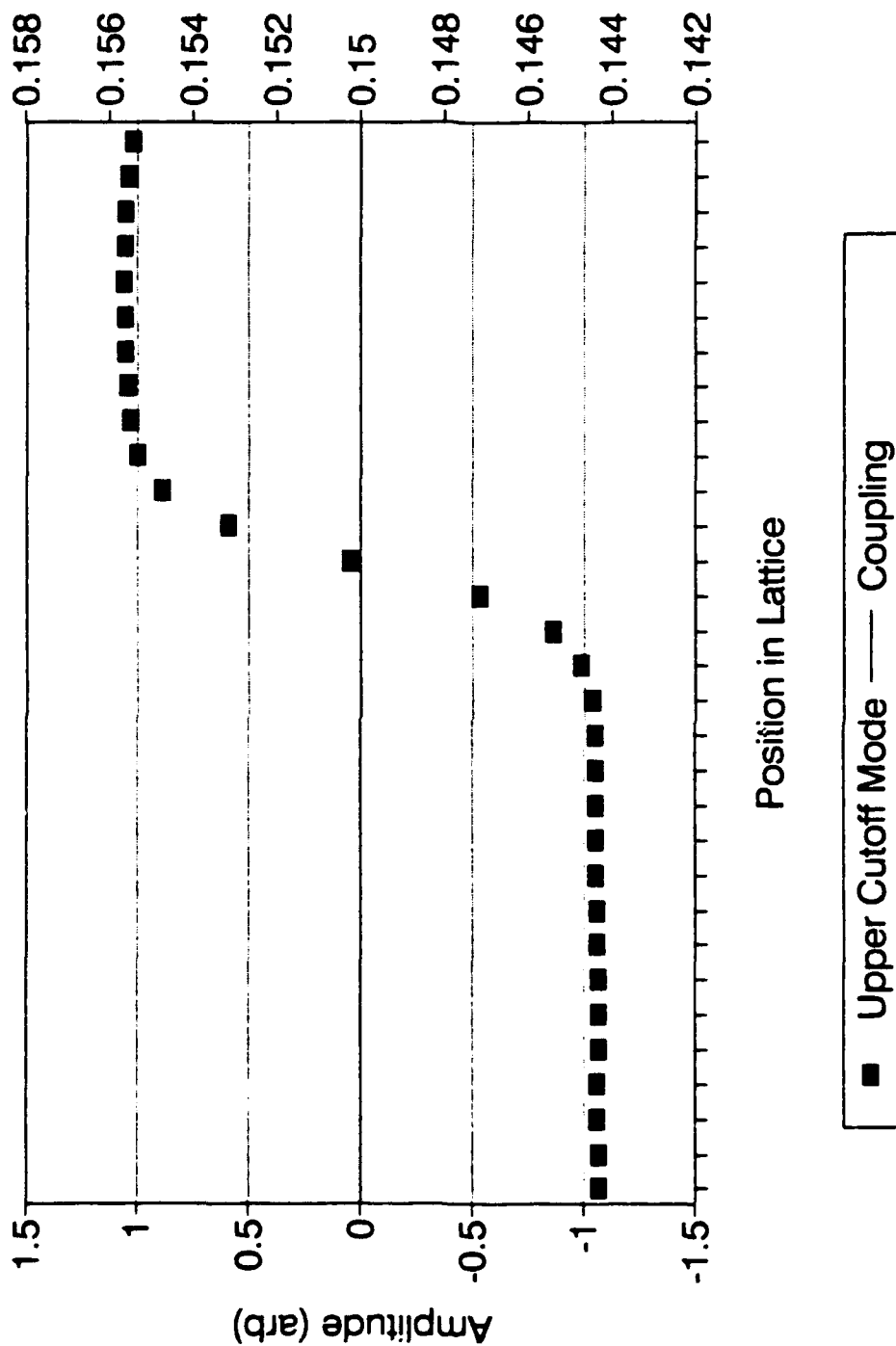


Fig. V.11. Same lattice, after the UCLA division method was used.

The initial results have been consistent, but as many questions have been raised as have been answered. The first result in the second round of nonuniformity work complemented the last result of the first round -- hardening kinks move to the local maximum frequency in the lattice. In the case of continuous gradients in either natural frequency or coupling, the hardening kinks moved steadily to the right (increasing frequency direction) until they reached the end of the lattice, where there was a discontinuous drop in frequency due to the periodic boundary conditions. Since there were always two hardening kinks, this provided a convenient way to collide kinks, since the leftmost kink inevitably caught up with the pinned right hand kink. As expected, these encounters produced annihilations of both kinks, leaving an undisturbed nonuniform lattice mode.

In order to better study collisions, and to discern whether the motion was a diffusion process or a process of motion in a potential field, a sinusoidal variation of coupling was introduced, with one kink on either side of one of the peaks in the variation. In particular, we wanted to find out whether, when a kink arrived at a maximum frequency, it overshot the mark and exhibited oscillatory behavior. In fact, this did not happen at all, so we were also unable to observe two kinks passing through one another in this way (since they both stopped at the local maximum). Nevertheless, this sinusoidal parameter variation feature was found to be useful for separating kinks, since, if one places a minimum between two kinks, they will move in opposite directions. Since the variations could be turned off as easily as on, one

could separate two kinks using a sinusoidal variation and then turn off the variation to observe the cleanly separated kinks in a uniform lattice.

We turned next to domain walls, anxious to see whether they moved preferentially in one direction or the other. In fact, no matter how hard we pushed the lattice, we could not get domain walls to move. The UCLA group independently reported similar results. Since one possible mechanism for this pinning of domain walls was that negative energy and positive energy kinks might tend to move in opposite directions (viewing domain walls in this instance as paired kinks), I immediately set after positive energy kinks, to see if they moved. Unfortunately, they also appear to be pinned. Why this should be so is not clear, and the fact that it is so can be interpreted as an argument against the notion that kinks and domain walls are intimately connected phenomena. On the other hand, it may simply be that the departure from normal mode amplitude by individual lattice elements is the key cause of soliton motion in a nonuniform lattice. If this were the case, and it doesn't seem unreasonable to suppose that it might be, domain walls and positive energy kinks alike would not move, or would move so slowly that the experiments performed to date would not have detected the motion, since the changes are small in these cases. Another way of expressing the idea is to note that, in the negative energy kinks considered here (only a small subset of those possible), the envelope one would draw of the lattice often changes sign across the kink, and always makes a major transition in the kink region. In the positive energy kinks and domain walls, and possibly "darkons", the envelope only changes slightly, and retains the same sign

throughout. One possible way of checking this idea is to measure the speed of motion of negative energy kinks as a function of amplitude, since presumably if the hypothesis were valid, they would move more rapidly as amplitude increased. In any case, this area is one which might fully occupy a future thesis student.

For certain types of abrupt changes in lattice parameters, such as a strong discontinuous drop at the lattice ends, solitons were actually created when the parameter change was introduced. For example, in Figure V.12, we see a pair of kinks just prior to and just after the introduction of a sinusoidal modulation of natural frequency. When the modulation is introduced, a kink/antikink pair arises at element 90 and leftward (element 90 is a frequency maximum). Shortly after this, the leftmost kink of the created pair undergoes an annihilation event with the original kink, leaving behind a kink of similar type located where the original kink would eventually have moved in any case -- at the frequency maximum. Whether this is in effect the mechanism for all kink motion remains to be seen.

Another way one might attempt to explain the difference between negative energy kinks, which move, and positive energy kinks and domain walls, which don't, is to assert that very sharp solitons are pinned, whereas broad solitons are free to move. The ambiguity arises from the unfortunate reality that only a limited number of cases have been tried so far, and for all of the domain walls and positive energy kink cases, the structures are very sharp. It may be that, when a broad domain wall is obtained (if they exist), it will move exactly as the negative energy kinks do.

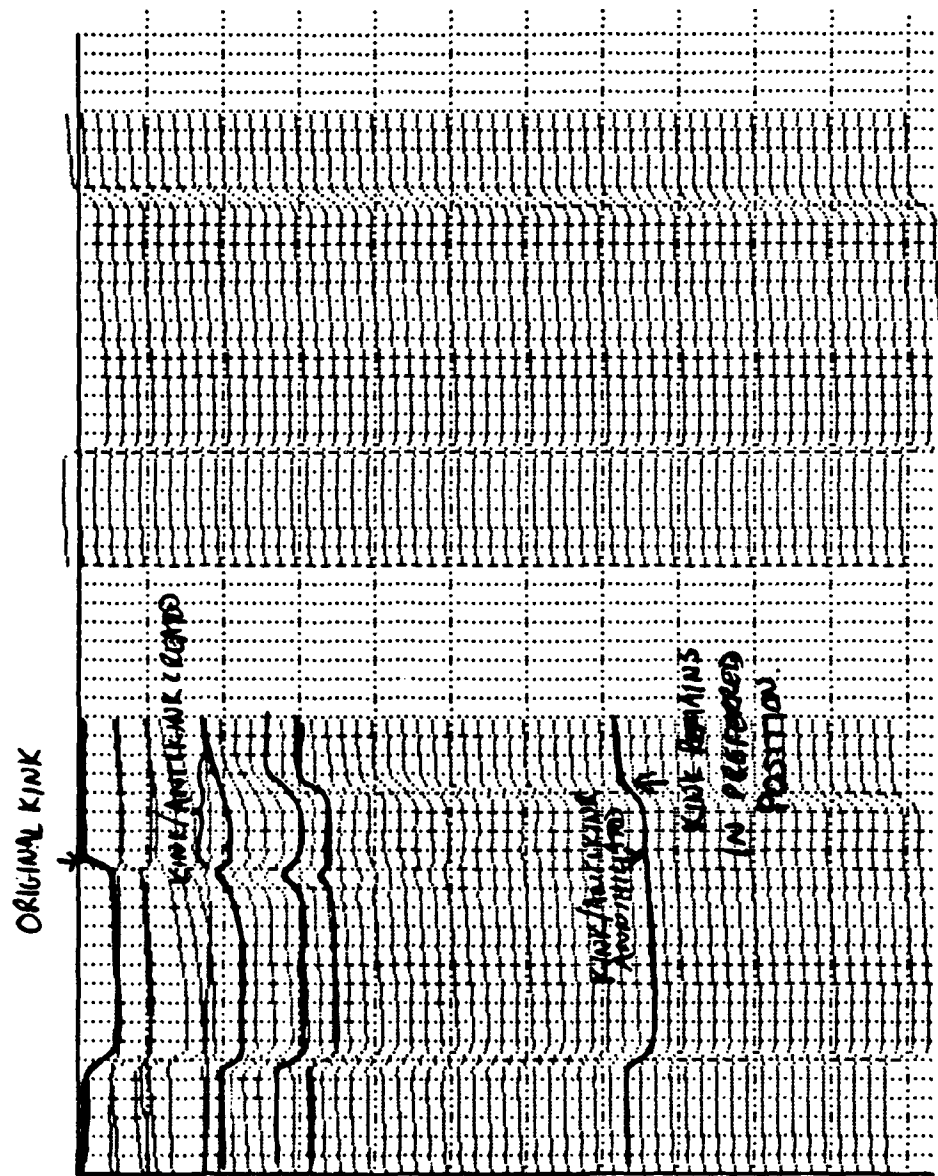


Fig V.12. Transition by kink creation and annihilation.

Finally, a quick look at breathers revealed that they do not seem to move at all, or even to be affected by the variations, except in this peak amplitude. This may again be due to sharpness effects; certainly the envelope of a breather is a rapidly changing function. This result is striking, for breather motion has been observed experimentally in water trough experiments (Wu, et al. [1984]).

The best that can be said after this very preliminary look at the behavior of nonlinear lattices with nonuniformities is that the behavior promises to be as rich and varied as the uniform lattice, with many new phenomena undoubtedly awaiting later researchers. It would be very interesting to study the effects of nonuniformities in two dimensional lattices, but that's another entire area of research....

C. THE TODA LATTICE.

In some ways, the most important contribution this thesis makes to the study of dynamical systems is the introduction of a highly interactive and readily adaptable modeling tool for oscillating systems. The modeling should be limited to oscillating systems, since the errors incurred in using a simple Euler's method derivative may accumulate in other types of physical models (Appendix A). The program offers the investigator quick access to an accurate model of his system of interest which allows him to view system dynamics in the time domain, frequency domain, and phase domain. Additionally, a full suite of file handling routines is provided so the investigator can save states of his system, or he can save sequences of time sampled data or spectral data in files while observing system behavior.

In order to demonstrate the utility and flexibility of the program, a model of the well known Toda lattice (Toda [1971]) was developed. It required approximately fifteen minutes to completely alter the program, converting it from a model of one physical system to another! At the conclusion of that time, I was taking data exactly equivalent to the types of data used throughout this thesis. The Toda lattice is a lattice where nearest neighbors interact according to an exponential interaction potential

$$\Phi(x) = \frac{a}{b} e^{-bx} + ax, \quad \text{V.C.1}$$

which yields an equation of motion (Kuusela and Hietarinta [1990])

$$\ddot{x}_n = a(e^{-b(x_n - x_{n-1})} - e^{-b(x_{n+1} - x_n)}). \quad \text{V.C.2}$$

Here x_n is the usual variable representing departure from equilibrium position of the n th element.

The free system given by (V.C.2) suffers from the same problem that all free systems do in numerical work -- it is often difficult to distinguish solitons from background radiation, which of course remains for all time due to the lack of damping. Accordingly, we desire to stabilize the structures of interest by considering damped and driven systems. In the case of the Toda lattice, there are many possible ways to add damping and drive. Geist and Lauterborn [1988] used a sinusoidal

driving force acting only on the first element of the lattice, and viscous damping. Since this is quite distinct from the parametric drives used in the lattice models we have studied so far, this method was not used. Instead, three different drive schemes were developed. The first two consisted simply of parametric drive via each of the two parameters of the system (a and b); the last was more elaborate. In this scheme, the lattice elements were each placed in an external potential well analogous to that provided by gravity in our previous lattices; the parametric drive was viz the natural frequency of the element resulting solely from its interaction with the potential well (in other words, the same parametric drive was used that was used in the other models of this thesis).

Mathematically, the first two methods are given by

$$\ddot{x}_n = (a + 2\eta \cos 2\omega t)(e^{-b(x_n - x_{n-1})} - e^{-b(x_{n+1} - x_n)}) \quad \text{V.C.3}$$

and

$$\ddot{x}_n = a(e^{-B(x_n - x_{n-1})} - e^{-B(x_{n+1} - x_n)}), \quad \text{V.C.4}$$

where

$$B-b+2\eta\cos 2\omega t.$$

V.C.5

The third method is given by

$$\ddot{x}_n - a(e^{-b(x_n - x_{n-1})} - e^{-b(x_{n+1} - x_n)}) - (\omega_0^2 + 2\eta\cos 2\omega t)x_n.$$

V.C.6

As before, we arbitrarily set the natural frequency to 1 in the program, without any loss of generality.

All three of these methods were coded up and run on the computer. The first two have proven to be very difficult to control, with the slightest changes in drive or dissipation producing large results. It was possible to get some stable states, however, with one of them shown in Figure V.13. There are two lattices shown in the figure, because the stable state is, more accurately, a quasiperiodic state where the two states shown alternate back and forth, with a transient during the alteration which shows beating between the left and right hand sides of the lattice. This cyclic behavior is stable, hence the lattice could be termed quasistable. However, it seems to me that the main utility of the "pure" Toda lattice is its mathematical tractability (it is exactly integrable and has been studied extensively in the mathematical literature); it is difficult to imagine a physical system which obeys the equations of motion.

More physically interesting is the third type of Toda lattice model, which can be interpreted physically as particles with exponential interaction potential resting

Two Quasiperiodic Toda Lattice States (Coupling is driven only)

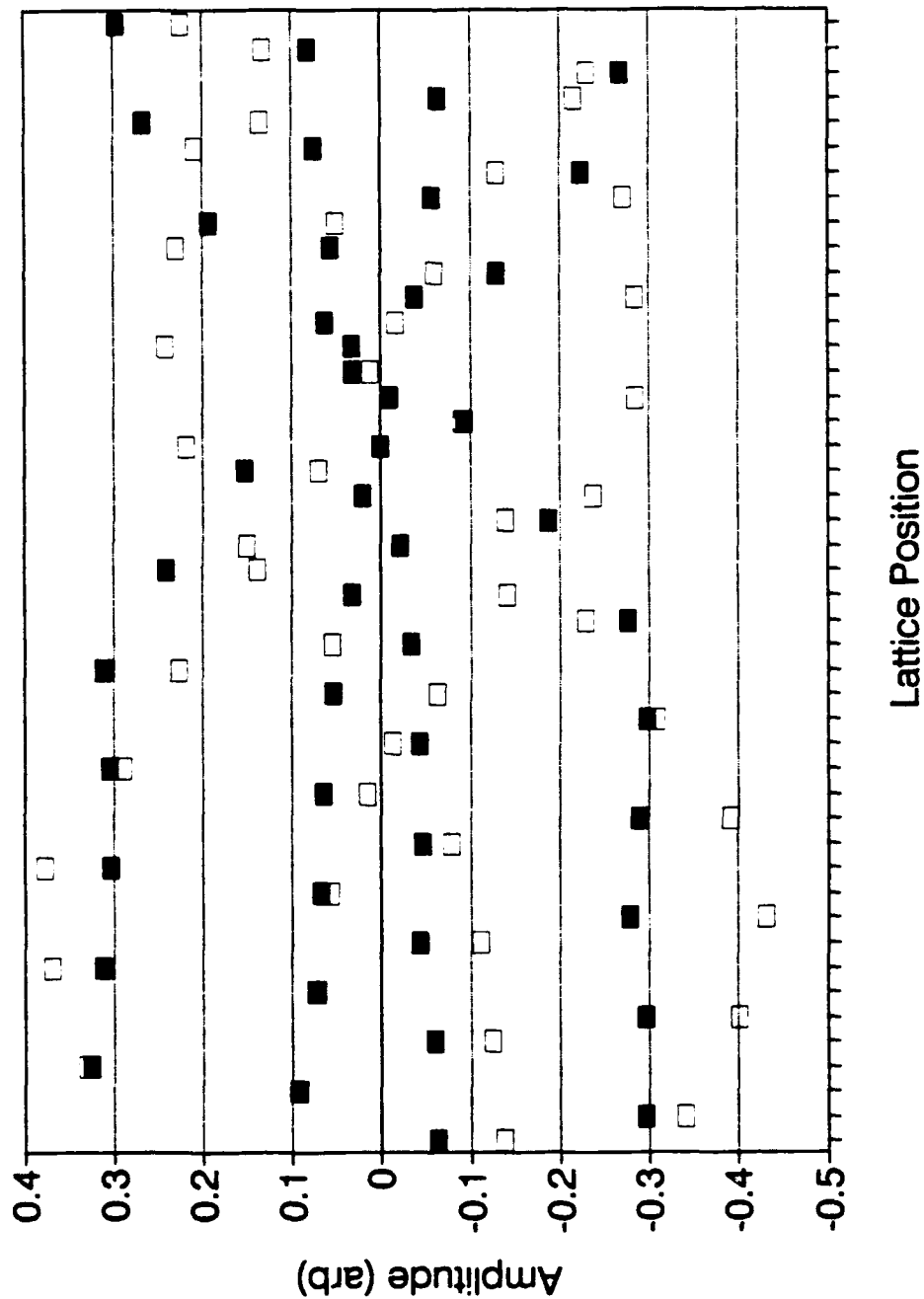


Fig. V.13. Two states of quasiperiodic Toda lattice with gamma drive.

each in its own external potential well. A physical realization of this is the solid state (this interpretation is due to Larraza). The exponential interaction potential is still questionable, but it is at least a feasible model. The third type of model was also the most practical numerically, in the time I was able to allot to the Toda lattice study. It should be noted that it may merely be a poor choice of parameters that resulted in the difficulty in using the first two models, and a more detailed study will undoubtedly prove useful. The first result obtained with the Toda lattice in an external potential was a negative energy kink similar to the cutoff kinks in the NLS lattice, in a travelling upper cutoff mode. That is, the mode, with its kink in train, moved from right to left continuously, at a fixed rate. This kink, could not be stabilized as a standing wave for system parameters close to the original parameters which yielded the results, although there is no reason to conclude that standing kinks might not exist elsewhere in the parameter space. In fact, for similar reasons we cannot really conclude that there are not travelling wave solitons in the nonlinear lattice model that the rest of this thesis addresses; we just haven't observed them yet. Figure V.14 shows the profile of this travelling wave domain wall at one instant in time. It maintains this form as it moves to the left.

The results shown in Figures V.13 and V.14 are only the tip of the iceberg, and are shown more to demonstrate the flexibility of the program and the computational ease with which a new line of inquiry can be undertaken. For example, it was found that lattices which were driven in the coupling term were very difficult to control and exhibited at best very limited stability. In any case, one of the beauties of this

Toda Traveling Domain Wall (Toda lattice in an external potential)

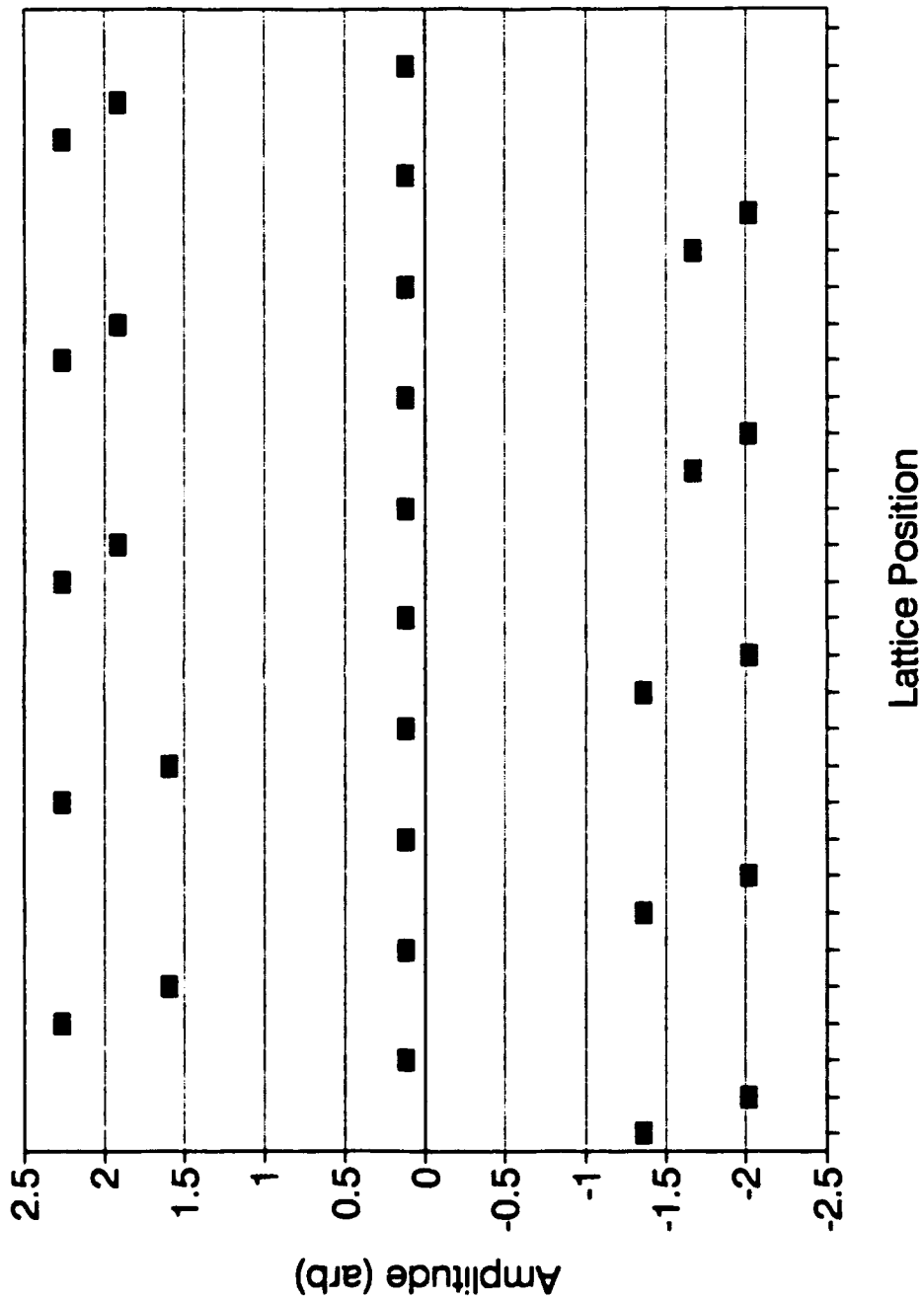


Fig. V.14. Travelling domain wall in Toda lattice with external potential.

work is that the limiting factor in one's progress is one's understanding of the physics of lattices; there is no reason to lose productivity to the computer, since the modeling technique is well developed and very easy to use and modify. It is to be hoped that a follow on thesis student will conduct a thorough study of all three Toda lattice models (and perhaps others), in conjunction with an attempt to understand the theory of Toda lattice solitons. There are some results in this area in the literature, but very little is known compared to the simpler lattice models.

VI. CONCLUSIONS AND PROSPECTS FOR FUTURE WORK

It should be quite evident at this point that the behavior of nonlinear lattices is extremely complex. We have shown that kinks exist in virtually all modes of lattice vibration, and domain walls appear to exist between all compatible modes (by compatibility, we mean all modes where the higher amplitude mode has a negative energy kink and the lower amplitude mode has a positive energy kink). Neither of these two assertions has been rigorously proven, but the evidence for them is encouraging. Additionally, breathers in the cutoff modes were found to be very robust, and the remarkable self-focusing phenomenon discovered experimentally by Denardo [1990] was found numerically as well. Breathers in the Toda lattice and in the two dimensional analog of the basic lattice we discussed were also found with relative ease, further suggesting that breathers are common phenomena.

What needs much more work, however, is the theory underlying these many nonlinear structures. The NLS theory for the cutoff modes is satisfactory, but it covers only the endpoints of the dispersion curve. It is hoped that, underlying this broad range of interrelated phenomena, there may exist a common equation of evolution which will prove more useful than the current favorite (the Korteweg-de Vries Equation), which has limited physical application. If such a general treatment that includes the NLS as a special case and which treats all intermediate modes can be found, it would find broad application in the physical sciences, since the

underlying equations of motion of the systems considered here are frequently encountered. Examples include such solid state topics as ferromagnetism, superconductivity, and nonlinear optics, as well as topics in plasma physics, cosmology, and particle physics.

There are many questions raised during the course of this work which can be profitably addressed by follow on researchers using the model developed here; resolution of these questions will undoubtedly ease the task of achieving the theoretical understanding desired. It is still an open question whether domain walls and kinks are distinct fundamental structures or whether domain walls are always matched kinks (the latter is my view, but it is by no means unanimously accepted). In addition, there are several classification problems concerning kinks in intermediate modes, which may be useful to address as a means to guide the work of the theoreticians. And it is not yet known whether there exist any breathers in the intermediate modes. Indeed, the distinction between breathers and kinks, which was made during the study of cutoff mode solitons when the distinction was clear, may not be a useful distinction in the intermediate modes. And, it is unclear why the NLS theory works so well far outside the limits of its validity.

This work focused mainly on kinks and domain walls, after the initial verification of breathers' existence according to the NLS theory. It is left to the next student (who has already commenced work) to explore breathers in greater detail; it is hoped that the results of this later work will dovetail with those presented here to clear up the basic questions.

We only scratched the surface in this work in the study of two dimensional lattices and of lattices with different equations of motion (i.e., the Toda lattice). The work done was done primarily to flex the muscles of the computer program to verify the ease of adaptation which was one of the design goals of the model. The results that were obtained, however, were very interesting, and make the pursuit of these lines of inquiry highly desirable. In particular, the two dimensional case provides an opportunity to explore the effects of diffraction on solitons. Just from our preliminary look, this effect appears to be very important, as it accounts for the unexpected stability of two dimensional breathers (which were thought before to be impossible to obtain).

In conclusion, we were fortunate in this research effort to be able to make many interesting discoveries and to bring together conclusively some theoretical and experimental work. The results obtained have great promise and have opened up several lines of inquiry. In addition, the value of interactive modeling was shown, and a simple, fast model was developed which can be adapted in a matter of minutes to model any vibrating discrete systems. It could, if desired, be used to model wave motion in continua as well, constituting in that case a simple finite element model. All that is required is that the researcher correctly enter the equations of motion of the system to be studied, and to change the I/O section if needed to reflect those parameters only which are relevant to the new work. This model may in the end prove to be the most important contribution of this research; in any case, it is hoped

that it will prove useful to many future researchers, to whom it is freely offered for modification and use.

APPENDIX A. NUMERICAL METHODS.

Since all of the phenomena studied in this thesis have been oscillatory, it was possible to use a very simple numerical algorithm, which is a modification of the classical Euler's method given by

$$x_n(t+h) = x_n(t) + hv_n(t), \quad (107)$$

and

$$v_n(t+h) = v_n(t) + ha_n(t). \quad (108)$$

where h is the time step used. Since the system which I intended to model was one where the rate of change of x depended at any given time on the values of x of the adjacent elements, it seemed reasonable to break the calculation of (1) up as follows:

1. Calculate the acceleration felt by each element, based on the positions of its neighbors.
2. Update the velocities of each element by multiplying the acceleration by the time step.
3. After all velocities have been updated, calculate the new positions of the elements, and begin again at 1.

Mathematically, this process can be represented by a pair of equations:

$$v_n(t+h) = v_n(t) + h a_n(x_{n-1}, x_n, x_{n+1}, v_n, t) \quad (109)$$

and

$$x_n(t+h) = x_n(t) + h v_n(t+h). \quad (110)$$

This simple method turned out to work very well indeed. It was found that the free, linear lattice behaved as expected, and that the nonlinear driven lattice behaved as hoped. In order to check the quality of the numerics, an energy calculation was included in the program. The total energy of a free nonlinear lattice with linear coupling between nearest neighbors is given by

$$E_n = \frac{1}{2} \gamma (x_{n+1} - x_n)^2 + \frac{1}{2} \dot{x}_n^2 + \frac{1}{2} x_n^2 - \frac{\alpha}{4} x_n^4. \quad (111)$$

It was found in all cases that the total energy of the system oscillated about some fixed value, with the amount of oscillation being directly proportional to the time increment used. Thus it was possible to use a large time step to observe qualitative changes in system behavior more expeditiously, and then to switch to a small step size (typically $0.005T$, where T is the period of the oscillations) when precision is desired for quantitative comparisons to theory or other results.

As it turned out, this method and the conclusions about its efficacy had already been developed (Cromer [1981]), so I regretfully have to identify the method as the Euler-Cromer method... Also, the method solves a question posed by Goedde, Lichtenberg, and Lieberman [1990], who pointed out that, if too large a time discretization is used, parametric instabilities develop in the discrete Sine-Gordon Equation (of which our model is a third order approximation). They wondered, in their conclusions, whether it was possible to have stable solitons in a discrete Sine-Gordon system, or whether the energy of the system would always be equipartitioned among all of the elements when the time discretization was finite. The results presented in the body of this thesis, while not a rigorous proof, do strongly suggest that it is possible to have stable soliton solutions in a discrete system, provided the time step is reasonably small and a suitable method is used. Then, the errors are bounded, and one obtains stable results to at least many thousands of oscillator periods, so that even if the stability is only asymptotic, the model is practically stable.

Whereas unfortunately the Euler-Cromer method was, if somewhat obscure, not original, the vehicle in which it was used is, I believe, original and of great potential utility to future researchers. In a sharp deviation from the type of numerical analysis which previous computer generations demanded, wherein one started the model with some set of initial conditions and parameter values and then waited for the outcome, repeating the process numerous times in order to build up a coherent picture of physical processes, this model system is highly interactive. This allows the researcher

to observe system behavior in "real time", and to adjust parameters as desired to control system behavior or to more fully understand it. Essentially, the model I have written is analogous to a complete laboratory setup, with data taking expedited and unwanted noise virtually eliminated (except numerical "thermal" noise which is small in most cases). One can adjust the damping, drive amplitude, or drive frequency via either a fine or coarse adjust "knob", the knob being single keystrokes entered while the model is running at full speed. One may also "kick" any chosen elements by any desired amount, or "pin" an element at zero amplitude, in order to either perturb the system significantly or to move solitons along the lattice (as was done in the experimental studies with pendulum lattices and shallow water channels).

The system's behavior can be observed in the time domain either by watching the lattice on a full screen display of moving dots, or on a waterfall display where trends are more readily apparent (but detail is less clear). A zoom feature allows one to rescale with the lattice dynamics, or even to measure numerical "temperature" by zooming in on nodes in modes such as the "+0-0" mode (see Chapter III), until the random noise caused by roundoff errors is detected. Several times this was done, and the results were a numerical noise so low that one had to zoom 2^{40} times to see it! A user aid is available to monitor the system's stability, which frees the user to some degree from having to continuously monitor the lattice.

Additionally, the system's dynamics can be viewed real time in the frequency and phase domains. In the former case, a running spectrum (consisting of consecutive 2048 point Fast Fourier Transforms adapted from Press, Teukolsky et.

al. [1988]) of a single element is displayed on the screen, along with all system parameters. In the latter, a phase portrait of up to five elements at a time is displayed, with Poincare section optional. In order to eliminate the drive frequency and thus clean up the display to make interpretation more straightforward, a rotating set of axes was used, with the coordinate and momentum axes rotating synchronous with the drive frequency. In such a display, a simple harmonic oscillator appears as a small ellipse (which vanishes as time increment approaches zero).

The net result of the interactive features the model provides is that one is able to develop intuition about system behavior as various parameters are varied, and one can experiment with various types of perturbations to the system (including, as well as those just described, varying parameters randomly, via a gradient, or sinusoidally (Chapter IV), or just imposing a sudden ramp in amplitude of 5% to test stability of a given configuration). Such interaction leads one to find structures which might otherwise escape notice, since they often cannot be obtained simply by choosing a set of initial conditions and letting the system go. Additionally, having the variety of representations available at all times and in real time gives great diagnostic capability to the experienced researcher.

Finally, the program was designed for maximum adaptability to the study of other problems concerning harmonic systems. In Appendix B, a detailed manual describes not only how to use the program, but how to alter it to model other systems. As discussed in Chapter IV, a working model of the Toda lattice was

available in fifteen minutes, with the complete range of interactive tools available for the study of that very challenging dynamic system.

APPENDIX B. PROGRAM MANUAL.

A. INTRODUCTION AND GETTING STARTED.

The program LATTICE.C is intended to be an adaptable modelling system for oscillating physical systems. The numerical method used, the Euler-Cromer method, is described in Appendix A, and should be understood by the researcher. The purpose of this appendix is to provide a readable manual which describes how to use and modify the program in order to study physical systems using the IBM PC (preferably 486 based, for speed). The program requires a VGA controller, and is intended to work in conjunction with screen-dump-to-printer programs such as EGALASER.COM, which is commercially available. The first part of this manual describes the use of the program, whereas the second is addressed to those who wish to make alterations to it in order to modify the model being studied. Changes simply to improve utility or to add functions are not addressed, although there are certainly many such changes which might be desirable.

To start the program, simply type LATTICE at the DOS prompt. If you intend to use a data file for initial conditions, have its name, including extension, ready when you start the program. The program prompts the user for all information needed to start the program; interactive commands used once the program is started are not prompted. However, as discussed in the next section, the user may be prompted for additional information from time to time. If you desire to run the

program in conjunction with a screen dump program which is TSR (terminate and stay resident -- it remains in your system's RAM after you start it), you should start the TSR program before starting the model, since you cannot do it from within the model.

B. USING THE PROGRAM.

After you start the program, you will be asked whether you wish to use a data file for initial conditions. This is preferable, since otherwise you have little freedom concerning initial conditions (unless you modify the program yourself). If you do want to use a data file, type "y" or "Y" and <ENTER>. The program then asks whether you want to use the old format data file or not. The old format, which have been conventionally given the extension ".LAT", consist of a set of six parameters, followed by two numbers for each element. The first number for each element is its amplitude; the second is its velocity (which is usually close to zero). If this is the type of data file you have, type "y". Otherwise, your file should be formatted with only five initial parameters, but with each element having four numbers. These numbers represent, in order, the coupling, natural frequency, amplitude, and velocity of the element. Typing any character other than "y" at the prompt will result in the program trying to read this format. Finally, the program asks for the file name. The maximum size is 30 characters, so be sure the file name, including path if that is different from the path your program resides at, does not exceed thirty characters!

If you choose not to use a file for initial conditions, the program will prompt you for all of the parameters it needs. The program's default initial conditions are an amplitude modulated cutoff mode. If the sign of the nonlinear coefficient is negative, corresponding to a hardening lattice, the program sets up an upper cutoff lattice; otherwise it sets up a lower cutoff lattice. The mode is modulated by one complete wavelength of amplitude chosen by the user ("modulation amplitude", as opposed to "mode amplitude", which is the amplitude of the cutoff mode itself).

After either the file data is read or the model parameters have been obtained from the user, the program asks you to enter the time step. The number you enter will be the time step, after it is multiplied by one half per cent of the period of the drive (this requires that you do not enter zero for drive frequency, even if you want an undriven system, since doing so will give a divide by zero error, and this program does not include error checking). Typical choices for time step, as entered, will be from one half to four, depending on whether you are most interested in exact amplitudes (use small time step) or in getting relatively quick, qualitatively accurate results (use large time step). Use of time steps greater than four does not cause an error, but it should be done only after the user is familiar with the behavior of the model he is studying. If the model is near any sort of boundary in behavior type, or if it is near a potential energy maximum, using a large time step may perturb the system into undesirable or even catastrophic behavior. On the other hand, judicious use of very large time steps can push the system into stable behaviors which might

otherwise have been missed -- experience is important when choosing the time step!

1. The Default Graphics Mode.

At this point, the screen will go blank. Type ^G to get a graphics display of the system in real time (^G means <CONTROL> G, and this type of shorthand will be used from now on). The ^G command will always do this, so it is a useful one to memorize immediately. If the display is going off the screen due to excessive amplitude, you can "zoom" out by typing "o". This means in effect that you step back from the system, so that the observed maximum amplitude increases (by a factor of two, as it happens). Similarly, "i" zooms you back in by a factor of two. This is useful if the amplitudes get too small to see (your picture is limited by the pixel resolution of the graphics mode). The graphics display will only show 40 elements on the screen; if the lattice you are using contains more than that, the forty visible elements are the middle elements. The other elements are still being calculated and will be included if you save your state to a data file, you simply can't see them. The maximum number of elements is 150.

As a user aid, a stability checking routine is included in the program. This routine, which is called by typing "S" from any point in the program, asks the user to select an element for monitoring and then monitors that element to see if it is "stable". When choosing an element, remember that, in the C language, the first element of an array is the zeroth element. If you want to monitor the first element, tell the computer to monitor element zero. Stability is determined by comparing successive peaks of the amplitude of the chosen element. If twenty peaks in a row

are all within one percent of each other, the system is called stable. This does not mean it is stable in any scientific or mathematical sense; this function is solely to aid the user as he sees fit. When this option is chosen, the entire lattice changes color to red, except the element being monitored (which remains white). After stability has been verified, the lattice returns to the white color, except the chosen element, which then becomes red.

The stability checker is one of two routines that uses the amplitude peak detection routine -- the other is the Waterfall Display, which is described later. The stability checker must be active if it is desired to save the current model state to a data file, since the states are saved only when the monitored element reaches an amplitude peak. If, while the stability checker is active, you type "p", the program will pause and ask you whether you wish to save the state to a file. If you do, type "y" or "Y", and then give the file name. It is recommended that a personal file naming protocol be developed early so that confusion does not occur when the program suddenly asks for a file name. If you type "p" before the stability checker is inactive, the pause routine will be executed as soon as the stability checker is next activated. After dumping data to a file, or declining to do so, the program prompts for a new time step. The old one is displayed for convenience. If you want to keep it, you must type it. The program uses whatever number you type as the new time step. Thus, the pause routine provides the only means for changing the time step during model operation. The user is cautioned against changing the time step while

the Fourier Analysis routine is operating (see below), since a change in the time step then will corrupt the Fourier data and give erroneous spectra.

The drive parameters and the dissipation parameter can be changed while the program is operating (it does not need to be in Default Graphics Mode to do this). The letters U,V,D, and E represent coarse and fine increases and decreases in the applicable parameter. A <SHIFT> operation with one of these letters means the parameter affected is drive frequency. Thus U means coarse increase in drive frequency. Similarly, ^U means coarse increase in drive amplitude, and u means coarse increase in dissipation. The commands ^Z,Z, and z mean that the indicated parameter (drive amplitude, frequency, and dissipation, respectively) gets set directly to zero. This is very useful if your model starts to blow up -- type ^Z and eliminate drive, so that system energy will at best remain constant (it will decrease if there is any damping still present). Finally, s brings all elements immediately to rest at zero amplitude (another useful, but destructive, way to stop a system from blowing up).

It is possible to interact on an element by element basis with your model system, using the ^K and ^L keys. The first of these "kicks" an element, which means a step change in amplitude is made. Velocity does not change, however, which should be kept in mind by the observer. The second "pins" an element at zero amplitude and velocity. The element stays pinned until ^L is typed again and the same element selected (i.e., ^L is a toggle switch, as are several other commands).

The lattice can be changed on a global scale by introducing nonuniformities into the parameters representing coupling and natural frequency,

using the **W** keystroke. These parameters are stored as arrays, with a separate value for each element. This is so they may be made to vary from element to element. There are three types of variation available, and they can be applied successively as many times as desired (this includes "undoing" a variation by introducing an identical but opposite polarity variation -- except, of course, for random variations). The first type is a random, five percent (peak to peak) variation of the parameter (only one of the two parameters can be varied for each keystroke, although both can be varied by successive keystrokes). The second type is a linear gradient. This gradient is positive, with the zeroth element's parameter remaining unchanged, and the last element's parameter being changed by the full amount of the gradient. This amount (in percent) is chosen by the user. The third type is a sinusoidal variation, in which the amplitude of the sinusoidal variation and the (integer) number of wavelengths of the modulation along the entire length of the lattice are input by the user. These parameter variations are useful for studying the effects of nonuniformities on the dynamics of the lattice being studied. Additional types of variations can easily be added by the user (see modification instructions below).

Another useful function, dumping a single element's behavior to a data file in the form of a pair of time series representing displacement and velocity, is available to the user in all modes ("modes" refers to Default Graphics, Phase Plot, Text, Waterfall, and Spectrum display modes). Type **^F** to start file dumping. The program will prompt for the element to be dumped; then the program returns to normal operation. To stop the dump, type **^F** again, and give the name of the data

file you want to output to. If you don't type ^F again, the program will prompt you after the 4096 point buffer is full.

Finally, typing **n** perturbs the system by kicking each element by up to 10%, depending on its location. This command is useful when the stability to perturbation of a state is to be determined. If the state returns to normal after a few of these perturbations, it is definitely stable!

2. Phase Plot Mode.

Phase plane diagrams, or phase plots, are very useful tools in gaining an understanding of dynamical systems. Accordingly, this type of display is available to the user via the **P** command. This command, which can be used anytime the model is running, shifts the display to phase plot mode. The program asks whether Poincare sections are desired. Typically, they are, since they provide a much cleaner and easier way to interpret display. Type **y** to get Poincare sections, anything else to get phase plots with continuous updates (one dot per time step). The program then asks for up to five elements to display. Entering five will result in the model resuming and the phase plot beginning to build up. Entering fewer than five results in nothing happening until the user enters **999** to indicate that no further elements are desired (this entry is prompted, so you don't have to remember it). When in phase plot mode, all of the commands which affect the lattice are valid, and their effects will be seen in the phase plots. It is recommended that you experiment with this a lot, because it is very interesting and useful, and phase plot information is

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most useful only after significant experience has been built up looking at them under various conditions.

3. Text Mode.

The text mode is activated by ^T. If this is preceded at any time by ^H, the text mode display will conclude with a display of total system energy, calculated as described in Appendix A. In this mode, the text mode functions as a mode in which model operation continues; in any other case, the model operation is suspended until you leave text mode by using the appropriate command to enter another mode. The text mode gives the values of all system parameters, and then waits for you to hit a key. When you do, it displays the amplitude and velocity of each element. In all honesty, this is not a very refined mode, so it is really useful only for looking at system parameters and system energy.

4. Spectrum Mode.

By typing ^X, the user enters Spectrum Mode. The user is prompted to enter the number of the element whose spectrum is desired. Then execution returns to the mode the user was in when he typed ^X. However, the amplitude of the chosen element is now dumped every tenth time increment to a data array of 2048 elements. When the array is full, the Fast Fourier Transform is calculated and displayed. This display then remains on the screen until it is updated (the model continues to run, and sequential FFTs are calculated every 20480 time increments until the user enters a different mode using the appropriate command). The system

parameters and maximum frequency shown are displayed at the top of the screen, and a frequency axis is displayed at the bottom so that numerical values of the spectral components can be estimated. If it is desired for the complex FFT values to be dumped to a data file for later analysis, type y and then enter the filename when prompted.

5. Waterfall Mode.

The waterfall mode, entered via the ^W command, is useful for monitoring trends, particularly after some sort of change has been made. I found it most useful when I introduced lattice nonuniformities. If I immediately typed ^W, I got a good visual indication of the exact response of the lattice to the step changes I introduced. This type of use is commended to the user. When in Waterfall Mode, a waterfall display of 110 iterations is displayed, one iteration at a time. It is best to enter Waterfall Mode with the stability checker inactive, to avoid multiple waterfall entries for the same lattice state. If this is done, the lattice is displayed once during each cycle, at the same point in the cycle, so that useful comparisons can be made. When the Waterfall Display is full, the system does not continue to operate. This is so that one can pause to examine the display, dump it to the printer if desired, and then press ^W again to restart the model and refresh the display. Operating in this way makes it possible to have a continuous series of waterfall displays recording system behavior for long periods of time.

The zoom in and out commands (i and o) are operative in this mode (and the phase plot mode), so the display can be adjusted for maximum effectiveness.

Also, typing ^W while the waterfall display is not full toggles the display off. The model then continues to run, but no new display will appear until the appropriate mode command (^G, ^T, P, ^X, or ^W) is entered.

When finished with the program, type ^Q to quit.

C. MODIFYING THE PROGRAM.

The program was designed to be as modular as possible, although there was no great effort expended to optimize performance in general, as the emphasis was on research and not programming finesse. This modularity makes it easy to modify the program to model other physical systems. Other modifications, such as to add additional features or display modes, will not be addressed here.

To model a physical system, the first requirement is to develop the discrete equations of motion. Discreteness is required for computational purposes, although time can be treated as continuous (it is discrete, but the equations do not need to reflect that, since we calculate the acceleration and velocity at discrete instants in time, thus implicitly discretizing time for you). These equations should then be coded up in the C language, and then inserted directly in a copy of the waterfall program in place of the equations of motion currently installed. The equation entered should be of the form

$$\ddot{x}_n = f(\text{coordinates}, \text{momenta}, t). \quad (112)$$

As long as this form is used, and as long as the system described by the equations of motion is oscillatory, at least in steady state, then the numerical methods used should provide excellent results. The user should verify this in every case by checking the numerics as described in Appendix A.

Once the equations of motion are modified, you need to initiate any variables or parameters that appear in the equations of motion that are not already initiated. For example, when I modified the program to create a Toda Lattice model (see Chapter IV), I had to add a variable *b*, representing the exponential coupling parameter. If these parameters are to be input by the user, then the `user_init` function should be modified; also, any references to parameters which are removed in the new model should be deleted from the I/O statements to minimize confusion. The parameter changes should also be reflected in the file I/O sequences in `user_init` and `process_pause` functions. Also, for completeness, the user should modify the parameters displayed in `display_text`, `init_phasplot`, and `plot_spectrum` functions. When these changes are made, the model is ready to compile using either the QUICKC compiler or, if time optimization is required, the Microsoft C version 6.0 compiler. That is all there is to modelling a new physical system! As I stated in Chapter IV, this is a real strength of this program; I created a Toda lattice model in fifteen minutes.

SUMMARY OF COMMANDS

^Q	Quit the Program.
^G	Enter Default Graphics Mode.
^T	Enter Text Mode.
^W	Enter Waterfall Mode.
P	Enter Phase Plot Mode.
^X	Enter Spectrum Mode.
p	Pause program (file I/O, change time step).
W	Introduce nonuniformities into lattice.
^H	Monitor total system energy (in text mode only).
^F	Toggle time series data dump to file.
i/o	Zoom in/out by a factor of two in amplitude.
^L	Pin an element.
^K	Kick an element.
y	Dump spectrum to data file.
n	Perturb the system by a ten percent amplitude gradient.
S	Toggle stability checker on/off.
s	Stop all elements.
^O/^I	Increase/decrease Poincare strobe frequency.
^U,^V,^D,^E	Coarse/fine increase/decrease of drive amplitude.
U,V,D,E	Coarse/fine increase/decrease of drive frequency.
u,v,d,e	Coarse/fine increase/decrease of dissipation.

^Z,Z,z

Zero out the drive amplitude/frequency/dissipation.

^R

Reset and restart the program.

C. PROGRAM CODE

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/*      PROGRAM WATERFALL --- GENERALIZED NONLINEAR LATTICE MODEL
      VERSION 3.0
      WRITTEN BY BRIAN GALVIN
      LAST_UPDATE 10 JAN 1991

      THIS PROGRAM SIMULATES A GENERAL LATTICE WITH EQUATIONS OF MOTION
      THAT CAN BE SUBSTITUTED IN WHERE INDICATED.  VARIOUS INTERACTIVE
      FEATURES ARE PROVIDED, WHICH ARE EXPLAINED IN THE PROGRAMMER'S
      MANUAL.  A WATERFALL DISPLAY IS ADDED TO MONITOR SOLITON MOTION
      DUE TO MEDIUM NONUNIFORMITY EFFECTS.  COUPLING AND NATURAL
      FREQUENCY CAN BE MADE NONUNIFORM VIA SHIFT-W.  */

/* *** PREPROCESSOR DIRECTIVES *** */

#include "\quickc\inc\BIOS.H"
#include "\quickc\inc\graph.h"
#include "\quickc\inc\stdlib.h"
#include "\quickc\inc\CONIO.H"
#include "\quickc\inc\MATH.H"
#include "\quickc\inc\STDIO.H"
#include "\quickc\inc\time.h"

/* *** MACRO DEFINITIONS *** */
#define SQR(a) ((a)*(a))
#define CUB(a) ((a)*(a)*(a))
#define SWAP(a,b) tempr=(a);(a)=(b);(b)=tempr /* USED IN FFT ROUTINE */
#define DOFOR(i,to) for(i=0;i<to;i++) /* SIMPLIFIED DO LOOP COMMAND */
#define PI 3.14159265359
#define SCREEN_CORRECTION_FACTOR 1.05
#define eta_increment 0.01 /* These increments are used in */
#define beta_increment 0.01 /* adjusting parameters */
#define omega_increment 0.001
#define STABILITY_INCREMENT 0.01
#define DISPLAY_INCREMENT DINC
#define PHASE_INCREMENT PINC
#define MIDDLE_ELEMENT (no_pendulums/2)
#define text_flag flags[0] /* flags have names in body of program, */
#define graphics_flag flags[1] /* but they all form a single array. */
#define file_dump_flag flags[2]
#define stability_flag flags[3]
#define peak_flag flags[4]
#define stable_flag flags[5]
#define phase_flag flags[6]
#define pause_flag flags[7]
#define pause_flag2 flags[8]
#define stop_flag flags[9]
#define spectrum_flag flags[10]
#define dump_spectrum_flag flags[11]
#define energy_flag flags[12]
#define waterfall_flag flags[13]
#define wait_flag flags[14]

/* *** DYNAMICAL VARIABLE DECLARATION.  THESE ARE GLOBAL VARIABLES *** */

double coordinate[150],momentum[150],old_coordinate[150],old_momentum[150];

double acceleration,gamma[150],mean_gamma,beta,omega0[150],mean_omega0,
      eta,omega,alpha,model_time,time_int,
      max_amp,mode_amp,time_series_disp[8000],phase_elements[5],
      peak_record[20],pinned_elements[150],DINC,PINC,period,

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        spectrum[4098],temp2[4096],energy,gradient,wat_inc;
int    no_pendulums,flags[15],counter1,phase_counter,phase_int,first_element,
        chosen_element,stability_element,disp_color,colors[5],counter2,
        spectrum_element,spectrum_counter,sample_counter,energy_counter,
        waterfall_counter,color_counter;

main() {
    FILE *fp;
    int c,i,j,k,l,m,n,xx;
    double modulation;
    char ans[5];
    _clearscreen(_GCLEARSCREEN);
    user_init(); /* STARTS PROGRAM WITH USER INPUT */
    _setvideomode(_MRES4COLOR);
    _setcolor(1);
    xx=0;
    wat_inc=1;
    disp_color=1;

    /* INITIALIZE COUNTERS HERE */

    counter2=0;
    energy_counter=0;
    color_counter=0;

    /* *** BODY OF PROGRAM STARTS HERE *** */

    while(stop_flag==0) {
        energy=0;
        if(pause_flag2==1) { /* A peak has been detected, so the */
            pause_flag2=0; /* pause routine is called */
            pause_flag=0;
            process_pause();
        } /* if(pause...) */
        if(kbhit()!=0) { /* CHECK FOR USER INPUT DURING MODEL RUN */
            c=getch();
            if(c==17) { /* ^Q : Quit program */
                stop_flag=1;
            }
            else if(c==112) { /* ^P : Pause program/dump state */
                pause_flag=1;
            }
            else if(c==20) { /* ^T : Text Mode */
                _clearscreen(_GCLEARSCREEN);
                text_flag=1;
                graphics_flag=0;
                waterfall_flag=0;
                wait_flag=0;
                spectrum_flag=0;
                display_text();
            }
            else if(c==7) { /* ^G : Graphics Mode */
                _clearscreen(_GCLEARSCREEN);
                _setvideomode(_MRES4COLOR);
                _setcolor(1);
                phase_flag=0;
                wait_flag=0;
                spectrum_flag=0;
                waterfall_flag=0;
                text_flag=0;
            }
        }
    }
}

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        graphics_flag=1;
    }
    else if(c==8) ( /* ^H : Monitor energy in text mode */
        if(energy_flag==0) energy_flag=1;
        else energy_flag=0;
    )

    /* *** THE FOLLOWING CASE IS FOR CHANGING THE UNIFORMITY OF THE
        LATTICE. COUPLING OR NATURAL FREQUENCY CAN BE VARIED.
        THE THREE TYPES OF VARIATION ARE:
        1. RANDOM VARIATION OF FIVE PER CENT
        2. LINEAR GRADIENT OF ANY AMOUNT
        3. SINUSOIDAL GRADIENT OF ANY AMOUNT, WITH AN
            ARBITRARY NUMBER OF FULL WAVELENGTHS OVER
            THE LENGTH OF THE LATTICE *** */

    else if(c==87) ( /* W : Kick in parameter variations */
        _setvideomode(_DEFAULTMODE);
        srand((unsigned)time(NULL));
        printf("\nEnter 1 if you wish to vary coupling: ");
        scanf("%d",&j);
        if(j==1) {
            printf("\nEnter 1 (random), 2 (gradient), or 3(sine) desired: ");
            scanf("%d",&k);
            if(k==2) {
                printf("\nEnter gradient (percentage over entire lattice): ");
                scanf("%lf",&gradient);
                DOFOR(i,no_pendulums) {
                    gamma[i]=gamma[i]+mean_gamma*i*gradient/(100*no_pendulums);
                } /* DOFOR */
            } /* if(j==2) */
            else if(k==3) {
                printf("\nEnter modulation amplitude (percentage): ");
                scanf("%lf",&gradient);
                printf("\nEnter integer number of wavelengths to use: ");
                scanf("%d",&l);
                DOFOR(i,no_pendulums) {
                    gamma[i]=gamma[i]+mean_gamma*gradient/100*(-cos(2*l*PI*i/
                        no_pendulums));
                }
            }
            else DOFOR(i,no_pendulums) {
                j=rand();
                gamma[i]=mean_gamma*(.95+.1*j/RAND_MAX);
            }
        }
        else {
            printf("\nVarying omega0...\n");
            printf("\nEnter 1 (random), 2 (gradient), or 3(sine) desired: ");
            scanf("%d",&k);
            if(k==2) {
                printf("\nEnter gradient (percentage over entire lattice): ");
                scanf("%lf",&gradient);
                DOFOR(i,no_pendulums) {
                    omega0[i]=omega0[i]+mean_omega0*i*gradient/(100*no_pendulums);
                }
            }
            else if(k==3) {
                printf("\nEnter modulation amplitude (percentage): ");
                scanf("%lf",&gradient);
            }
        }
    )

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        printf("\nEnter integer number of wavelengths to use: ");
        scanf("%d",&l);
        DOFOR(i,no_pendulums) {
            omega0[i]=omega0[i]+mean_omega0*gradient/100*(-cos(2*l*PI*i/no_pendulums));
        }
    }
    else {
        DOFOR(i,no_pendulums) {
            j=rand();
            printf("Random number is: %d RAND_MAX is %d\n",j,RAND_MAX);
            omega0[i]=mean_omega0*(.95+.1*j/RAND_MAX);
        }
    }
}
else if(c==23) { /* ^W : Waterfall Display Mode */
    if(waterfall_flag==0) {
        phase_flag=0;
        graphics_flag=0;
        text_flag=0;
        spectrum_flag=0;
        waterfall_flag=1;
        init_waterfall();
    }
    else {
        if(wait_flag==1) {
            wait_flag=0;
            init_waterfall();
        }
        else waterfall_flag=0;
    }
}
else if(c==80) { /* P : Phase Plot Mode */
    if(phase_flag==0) init_phasplot();
    else {
        phase_flag=0;
        spectrum_flag=0;
        graphics_flag=1;
        waterfall_flag=0;
        wait_flag=0;
        _setvideomode(_MRES4COLOR);
        _clearscreen(_GCLEARSCREEN);
    } /* else */
}
else if(c==6) { /* ^F : Time series to file */
    if(file_dump_flag==0) start_file_dump();
    else {
        stop_file_dump();
        file_dump_flag=0;
    }
}
else if(c==24) { /* ^X : Calculate spectrum */
    spectrum_flag=1;
    _setvideomode(_DEFAULTMODE);
    _clearscreen(_GCLEARSCREEN);
    printf("\nEnter number of element to be analyzed: ");
    scanf("%d",&spectrum_element);
    _setvideomode(_MRES4COLOR);
    _clearscreen(_GCLEARSCREEN);
}
}

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else if(c==21) ( /* ^U : Increase drive (coarse) */
    eta=eta+eta_increment;
    stability_restart();
)
else if(c==4) ( /* ^D : Decrease drive (coarse) */
    eta=eta-eta_increment;
    stability_restart();
)
else if(c==22) ( /* ^V : Increase drive (fine) */
    eta=eta+eta_increment/10;
    stability_restart();
)
else if(c==5) ( /* ^E : Decrease drive (fine) */
    eta=eta-eta_increment/10;
    stability_restart();
)
else if(c==26) ( /* ^S : Turn off drive */
    eta=0;
    stability_restart();
)
else if(c==85) ( /* U : Increase frequency (coarse)*/
    omega=omega+omega_increment;
    stability_restart();
)
else if(c==68) ( /* D : Decrease frequency (coarse)*/
    time_int=time_int*200/period;
    omega=omega-omega_increment;
    period=2*PI/omega;
    time_int=time_int*period/200;
    stability_restart();
)
else if(c==86) ( /* V : Increase frequency (fine)*/
    time_int=time_int*200/period;
    omega=omega+omega_increment/10;
    period=2*PI/omega;
    time_int=time_int*period/200;
    stability_restart();
)
else if(c==69) ( /* E : Decrease frequency (fine)*/
    time_int=time_int*200/period;
    omega=omega-omega_increment;
    period=2*PI/omega;
    time_int=time_int*period/200;
    stability_restart();
)
else if(c==90) ( /* S : Set frequency to zero */
    omega=0;
    stability_restart();
)
else if(c==117) ( /* u : Increase damping (coarse)*/
    beta=beta+beta_increment;
    stability_restart();
)
else if(c==100) ( /* d : Decr
    beta=beta-beta_increment;
    stability_restart();
)
else if(c==118) ( /* v : Increase damping (fine)*/
    beta=beta+beta_increment/10;
    stability_restart();
)

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else if(c==121) {          /* y          : Dump spectrum */
    if(spectrum_flag==1) dump_spectrum_flag=1;
}
else if(c==101) {          /* e          : Decrease damping (fine)*/
    beta=beta-beta_increment;
    stability_restart();
}
else if(c==122) {          /* z          : Turn off damping */
    beta=0;
    stability_restart();
}
else if(c==12) {           /* ^L          : Pin elements */
    pin_elements();
    stability_restart();
}
else if(c==11) {           /* ^K          : Kick elements */
    kick_elements();
    stability_restart();
}
else if(c==105) {          /* i          : Zoom in */
    DINC=DINC/2;
    PINC=PINC*2;
    wat_inc=wat_inc*2;
}
else if(c==111) {          /* o          : Zoom out */
    DINC=DINC*2;
    PINC=PINC/2;
    wat_inc=wat_inc/2;
}
else if(c==110) {          /* n          : Perturb system */
    DOFOR(i,no_pendulums) {
        modulation=.1*i/no_pendulums;
        coordinate[i]=coordinate[i]*(1.00+modulation);
    }
}
else if(c==15) {           /* ^O          : Decrease strobe freq */
    phase_int=phase_int-1;
}
else if(c==9) {            /* ^I          : Increase strobe freq */
    phase_int=phase_int+1;
}
else if(c==18) {           /* ^R          : Restart program */
    _setvideomode(_DEFAULTMODE);
    _clearscreen(_GCLEARSCREEN);
    user_init();
    stability_restart();
    if(phase_flag==0) _setvideomode(_MRES4COLOR);
    else _setvideomode(_VRES16COLOR);
}
else if(c==115) {          /* ^S          : Stop everything as is */
    DOFOR(i,no_pendulums) {
        coordinate[i]=0;
        momentum[i]=0;
    } /* DOFOR */
    stability_restart();
}
else if(c==83) {           /* S          : Monitor stability */
    monitor_stability();
}
} /* if(kbhit...) */

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        spectrum_counter++;
        sample_counter=0;
    }
    else {
        compute_spectrum(); /* COMPUTE SPECTRUM IF SPECTRUM DATA FULL */
        _clearscreen(_GCLEARSCREEN);
        _setvideomode(_VRES16COLOR);
        plot_spectrum();
        phase_flag=0;
        text_flag=0;
        graphics_flag=0;
        DOFOR(j,4096) spectrum[j]=0;
        spectrum_counter=0;
        sample_counter=0;
    } /* else */
} /* if ((spec... */

/* CHECK FOR PEAKS AND MONITOR STABILITY/SET PAUSE FLAG/INITIATE
WATERFAL DISPLAY AS REQUESTED BY THE USER */

if(((i==stability_element)&&(stability_flag==1)&&(stable_flag==0))|
((i==(no_pendulums-1))&&(waterfall_flag=-1))) {
    if((coordinate[i]>0)&&(coordinate[i]<old_coordinate[i])
    &&(peak_flag==0)) {
        peak_flag=1;
        if(pause_flag==1) pause_flag2=1;
        DOFOR(k,19) peak_record[k]=peak_record[k+1];
        peak_record[19]=coordinate[i];
        if(stability_flag==1) stability_check();
        if(waterfall_flag==1) disp_waterfall();
    }
    else if(coordinate[i]<0) peak_flag=0;
}
} /* DOFOR */

model_time=model_time+time_int; /* INCREMENT TIME */

/* CHOOSE DISPLAY MODE AND EXECUTE IT */

if(graphics_flag==1, display_graphics());

if((text_flag==1)&&(energy_flag=1)) {
    printf("\n Total Energy at time %lf is %lf",model_time,energy);
    energy_counter++;
    if(energy_counter==20) {
        printf("\n\nStrike any key to continue...");
        while(kbhit()==0);
        energy_counter=0;
    }
}

if(phase_flag!=0) {
    phasplot();
    phase_counter++; /* Used for Poincare sections */
}
/* if(wait_flag */
/* while(stop_flag... */

/* *** LEAVE MAIN BODY OF PROGRAM HERE *** */

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/* *** EQUATIONS OF MOTION. THE FOLLOWING LOOP CALCULATES THE
ACCELERATION OF EACH ELEMENT AS THE FIRST STEP OF THE
EULER-CROMER METHOD. THE EQUATIONS CAN BE CHANGED TO
MODEL DIFFERENT PHYSICAL SYSTEMS WITH NO OTHER CHANGE
NEEDED (ALTHOUGH IN ALL LIKELIHOOD THE USER_INIT AND
FILE SAVE ROUTINES SHOULD BE ALTERED IF THE PARAMETERS
OF INTEREST HAVE CHANGED. *** */

if(wait_flag==0) {
  DOFOR(i,no_pendulums) {
    if(i==0) {
      acceleration=gamma[i]*(coordinate[i+1]+coordinate[no_pendulums-1]
        -2*coordinate[i])-beta*momentum[i]
        -(SQR(omega0[i])+2*eta*cos(2*omega*model_time))*coordinate[i]
        +alpha*CUB(coordinate[i]);
    }
    else if(i==(no_pendulums-1)) {
      acceleration=gamma[i]*(coordinate[i-1]+coordinate[0]
        -2*coordinate[i])-beta*momentum[i]
        -(SQR(omega0[i])+2*eta*cos(2*omega*model_time))*coordinate[i]
        +alpha*CUB(coordinate[i]);
    }
    else {
      acceleration=gamma[i]*(coordinate[i+1]+coordinate[i-1]
        -2*coordinate[i])-beta*momentum[i]
        -(SQR(omega0[i])+2*eta*cos(2*omega*model_time))*coordinate[i]
        +alpha*CUB(coordinate[i]);
    }
    old_momentum[i]=momentum[i];
    momentum[i]=momentum[i]+acceleration*time_int;
  } /* DOFOR */

/* UPDATE ACTUAL ELEMENT POSITIONS BASED ON THE NEW VELOCITIES */
  DOFOR(i,no_pendulums) {
    old_coordinate[i]=coordinate[i];
    if(pinned_elements[i]==0) {
      coordinate[i]=coordinate[i]+momentum[i]*time_int;
    }

    if((i==chosen_element)&&(file_dump_flag==1)) { /* DUMP TO FILE BUF */
      if(counter2++==30) {
        time_series_disp[counter1++]=coordinate[i];
        counter2=0;
      }
      if(counter1==8000) stop_file_dump();
    } /* if((i... */

    if(energy_flag==1) { /* CALCULATE ENERGY IF REQUESTED */
      energy=energy+0.5*(SQR(momentum[i])
        + gamma[i]*SQR((coordinate[i+1]-coordinate[i]))
        +SQR(coordinate[i]))-alpha/4*pow(coordinate[i],4);
    } /* if(energy...) */

    if((spectrum_flag==1)&&(spectrum_element==i) /* UPDATE SPECTRUM DATA */
      &&(sample_counter++==5)) {
      if(spectrum_counter<2048) {
        spectrum[2*spectrum_counter]=coordinate[i];
        spectrum[2*spectrum_counter+1]=0;
      }
    }
  }
}

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    _setvideomode(_DEFAULTMODE);
    printf("PROGRAM COMPLETE AT %lf",model_time);
} /* MAIN() */

/**** USER_INIT ACCEPTS USER INPUT FOR STARTING PARAMETERS AND INITIAL
CONDITIONS, INCLUDING CHOICE OF DATA FILE TO START FROM. ALSO,
VARIOUS INITIALIZATIONS ARE PERFORMED TO GET THE SYSTEM GOING *****/

user_init() {
    FILE *fq;
    int c,i,j,k,l,m;
    char answer[1],filename[30];
    printf("GENERALIZED LATTICE MODEL PROGRAM W/ VARIABLE PARAMETERS\n");
    printf("Version 2.1X486 (MS) \n");
    printf("Last updated 10 JAN 1991\n");
    printf("Variant notes: Default IC is AM\n");
    printf("Omega0 is set equal to one for all cases!\n");
    printf("Rotating phase plane is used.\n");
    printf("Real time FFT function is added...\n");
    printf("Energy monitoring available via ^H in text mode");
    printf("^L gives element pinning, NOT ^P...\n\n");
    printf("\nDo you want to use a file for initial condition (Y/N)? ");
    scanf("%s",answer);
    sample_counter=0;

    if((answer[0]==89)||((answer[0]==121)) { /* FILE INPUT FOR STARTUP */
        printf("Do you want to use old format data file? ");
        scanf("%s",answer);
        printf("\nEnter name of file to be read: ");
        scanf("%s",filename);
        if((fq=fopen(filename,"r"))!=NULL) {
            mean_gamma=0;
            fscanf(fq,"%d\n",&no_pendulums);
            fscanf(fq,"%lf\n",&alpha);
            fscanf(fq,"%lf\n",&beta);
            if((answer[0]==89)||((answer[0]==121)) {
                fscanf(fq,"%lf\n",&mean_gamma);
                DOFOR(i,no_pendulums) {
                    gamma[i]=mean_gamma;
                    omega0[i]=1;
                }
            }
            fscanf(fq,"%lf\n",&eta);
            fscanf(fq,"%lf\n",&omega);
            DOFOR(i,no_pendulums) {
                if((answer[0]!=89)&&(answer[0]!=121)) {
                    fscanf(fq,"%lf %lf %lf %lf\n",
                        &omega0[i],&gamma[i],&coordinate[i],&momentum[i]);
                    mean_gamma=mean_gamma+gamma[i];
                }
                else fscanf(fq,"%lf %lf\n",&coordinate[i],&momentum[i]);
                pinned_elements[i]=0;
            }
            if((answer[0]!=89)&&(answer[0]!=121))
                mean_gamma=mean_gamma/no_pendulums;
            fclose(fq);
        }
        else printf("Can't open file requested.");
    } /* if((ans... */
}

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else (
    /* USER STARTUP */
    printf("\nEnter number of pendulums to use: ");
    scanf("%d",&no_pendulums);
    printf("\nEnter mode amplitude: ");
    scanf("%lf",&mode_amp);
    printf("\nEnter modulation amplitude: ");
    scanf("%lf",&max_amp);
    printf("\nEnter nonlinear coefficient alpha (+/- 1 ONLY): ");
    scanf("%lf",&alpha);
    DOFOR(k,no_pendulums) {
        if(alpha<0) coordinate[k]=pow((-1),k)*(mode_amp
            +max_amp*sin(2*PI*k/no_pendulums));
        else coordinate[k]=mode_amp+max_amp*sin(2*PI*k/no_pendulums);
        momentum[k]=0;
        pinned_elements[k]=0;
    } /* DOFOR */
    printf("\nEnter coupling coefficient gamma: ");
    scanf("%lf",&mean_gamma);
    DOFOR(i,no_pendulums) {
        gamma[i]=mean_gamma;
        omega0[i]=1;
    }
    printf("\nEnter drive amplitude eta: ");
    scanf("%lf",&eta);
    printf("\nEnter drive frequency omega: ");
    scanf("%lf",&omega);
    printf("\nEnter dissipation constant beta: ");
    scanf("%lf",&beta);
) /* else */

printf("\nEnter time constant (multiple of period/200): ");
scanf("%lf",&time_int);
period=2*PI/omega;
time_int=time_int*period/200;
DOFOR(i,15) flags[i]=0;
DOFOR(i,4096) spectrum[i]=0;
text_flag=1;
mean_omega0=1.0;
spectrum_counter=0;
DINC=.02; /* CHANGE THIS TO CHANGE SCALE OF DISPLAY */
PINC=2; /* CHANGE THIS TO CHANGE SCALE OF PHASE PLOT */
) /* USER_INIT */

/**** GRAPHICS DISPLAY ROUTINE *****/

display_graphics() {
    int c,i,j,k,l,m,n;
    if(no_pendulums<=40) {
        first_element=0;
        DOFOR(k,no_pendulums) {
            n=0;
            if((stability_element==k)&&(stability_flag==1)) n=1;
            if((pinned_elements[k]==1)&&(disp_color==1)) n=2;
            if((pinned_elements[k]==1)&&(disp_color==2)) n=-1;
            l=old_coordinate[k]/DISPLAY_INCREMENT;
            _setcolor(0);
            _setpixel((160-5*MIDDLE_ELEMENT + 5*k),(100+1));
            l=coordinate[k]/DISPLAY_INCREMENT;
            _setcolor(disp_color+n);
            _setpixel((160-5*MIDDLE_ELEMENT + 5*k),(100+1));
        }
    }
}

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    } /* DOFOR */
} /* IF */
else {
    l=(no_pendulums-40)/2;
    first_element=l;
    DOFOR(k,40) {
        m=old_coordinate[l+k]/DISPLAY_INCREMENT;
        n=0;
        if((stability_element==(l+k))&&(stability_flag==1)) n=1;
        if((pinned_elements[k]==1)&&(disp_color==1)) n=2;
        if((pinned_elements[k]==1)&&(disp_color==2)) n=-1;
        _setcolor(0);
        _setpixel((60 + 5*k),(100+m));
        m=coordinate[l+k]/DISPLAY_INCREMENT;
        _setcolor(disp_color+n);
        _setpixel((60 + 5*k),(100+m));
    } /* DOFOR */
} /* ELSE */
} /* DISPLAY_GRAPHICS */

/**** TEXT DISPLAY ROUTINE ****/

display_text() {
    char message[80];
    int c,j,k,l,m;
    _setvideomode(_DEFAULTMODE);
    printf("Time is : %lf",model_time);
    printf("    System parameters are: \n");
    printf("    Gamma      %lf",mean_gamma);
    printf("    Eta        %lf",eta);
    printf("    Omega      %lf\n",omega);
    printf("    Beta       %lf",beta);
    printf("    Alpha      %lf\n",alpha);
    printf("\nThere are %d elements in the system",no_pendulums);
    printf("\n\nPress any key to continue...");
    c=getchar();
    while(kbhit()==0);
    printf("Element    Position    Velocity    Element    Position    Velocity\n");
    DOFOR(j,20) {
        printf("    %d        %lf        %lf        %d        %lf        %lf\n",
            j,coordinate[first_element+j],momentum[first_element+j],
            (j+20),coordinate[first_element+j+20],
            momentum[first_element+j+20]);
    } /* DOFOR */
    printf("\n\nPress ^G for graphics, ^Q to quit.");
    c=getchar();
    while(kbhit()==0);
    while(kbhit()==0);
} /* display_text */

/**** PAUSE ROUTINE.  THIS GIVES USER CHOICE OF SAVING CURRENT STATE
TO A DATA FILE.  ADDITIONALLY, THE TIME STEP CAN BE VARIED DURING
A PAUSE.  *****/

process_pause() {
    int c,i,j,k,l,m;
    FILE *fr;
    char filename[30], message[80];
    _clearscreen(_GCLEARSCREEN);
    _setvideomode(_DEFAULTMODE);

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printf("Do you wish to save this state? ");
if((c=getche())==121) {
    printf("\nEnter name of file to be written: ");
    scanf("%s",filename);
    if((fr=fopen(filename,"w"))!=NULL) {
        fprintf(fr,"%d\n",no_pendulums);
        fprintf(fr,"%lf\n",alpha);
        fprintf(fr,"%lf\n",beta);
        fprintf(fr,"%lf\n",eta);
        fprintf(fr,"%lf\n",omega);
        DOFOR(i,stability_element)
            fprintf(fr,"%lf %lf %lf %lf\n",
                omega0[i],gamma[i],old_coordinate[i],momentum[i]);
        DOFOR(i,(no_pendulums-stability_element))
            fprintf(fr,"%lf %lf %lf %lf\n",omega0[i+stability_element],
                gamma[i+stability_element],coordinate[i+stability_element],
                momentum[i+stability_element]);
        fclose(fr);
    } /* if() */
    else printf("Failed to open %s\n",filename);
} /* if (()) */
time_int=time_int*200/period;
printf("\nEnter new time multiple (old multiple is %lf): ",time_int);
scanf("%lf",&time_int);
time_int=time_int*period/200;
if(phase_flag==0) _setvideomode(_MRES4COLOR);
else _setvideomode(_VRES16COLOR);
} /* process_pause */

/**** START DUMP OF INDIVIDUAL ELEMENT TIME SERIES TO DATA FILE ****/
start_file_dump() {
    _clearscreen(_GCLEARSCREEN);
    _setvideomode(_DEFAULTMODE);
    printf("Enter number of element to be monitored: ");
    scanf("%d",&chosen_element);
    if(chosen_element>(no_pendulums-1))
        printf("Out of range. No file dump");
    else file_dump_flag=1;
    _clearscreen(_GCLEARSCREEN);
    if(phase_flag==0)
        _setvideomode(_MRES4COLOR);
    else
        _setvideomode(_VRES16COLOR);
    counter1=0;
} /* start_file_dump */

/**** COMPLETE DUMP OF INDIVIDUAL ELEMENT TIME SERIES TO DATA FILE ****/
stop_file_dump() {
    char filename[30];
    int c;
    FILE *fs;
    _clearscreen(_GCLEARSCREEN);
    _setvideomode(_DEFAULTMODE);
    printf("\nEnter name of file to be written: ");
    scanf("%s",filename);
    if((fs=fopen(filename,"w"))!=NULL) {
        DOFOR(c,8000) fprintf(fs,"%lf\n",time_series_disp[c]);
        _clearscreen(_GCLEARSCREEN);
    }
}

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        counter1=0;
        if(phase_flag==0)
            _setvideomode(_MRES4COLOR);
        else _setvideomode(_VRES16COLOR);
    ) /* if(()) */
) /* stop_file_dump */

/**** CHECK FOR SYSTEM STABILITY. THIS IS A USER AID ONLY, AND DOES NOT
PERFORM A RIGOROUS STABILITY CHECK. IT SIMPLY CHECKS TO SEE IF
ALL OF THE LAST TWENTY PEAK AMPLITUDES OF THE CHOSEN ELEMENTS ARE
WITHIN ONE PERCENT OF EACH OTHER ****/

monitor_stability() (
    if(stability_flag==0) (
        stability_flag=1;
        disp_color=2;
        _setvideomode(_DEFAULTMODE);
        printf("Enter number of element to be monitored: ");
        scanf("%d",&stability_element);
        stability_restart ();
    )
    else (
        stability_flag=0;
        disp_color=1;
    )
    if(phase_flag==0)
        _setvideomode(_MRES4COLOR);
    else
        _setvideomode(_VRES16COLOR);
)

stability_check() (
    int i,k;
    k=0;
    DOFOR(i,19) (
        stable_flag=1;
        if((peak_record[i+1]>(peak_record[i]*(1+STABILITY_INCREMENT))){
            (peak_record[i+1]<(peak_record[i]*(1 - STABILITY_INCREMENT ))) (
                stable_flag=0;
                break;
            ) /* if */
        } /* DOFOR */
        if(stable_flag==1) (
            disp_color=1;
        )
    )

/**** PIN ANY INDIVIDUAL ELEMENT AT ZERO AMPLITUDE. ****/

pin_elements() (
    int ans,i,check;
    _setvideomode(_DEFAULTMODE);
    check=0;
    printf("\nEnter number of element to be pinned: ");
    scanf("%d",&ans);
    if((ans<0)|(ans>(no_pendulums-1))) (
        check=1;
    )
    if(check==0) (
        if(pinned_elements[ans]==0) (

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        pinned_elements[ans]=1;
        coordinate[ans]=0;
        momentum[ans]=0;
    }
    else pinned_elements[ans]=0;
} /* if */
if(phase_flag==0)
    _setvideomode(_MRES4COLOR);
else
    _setvideomode(_VRES16COLOR);
}

/**** KICK ANY INDIVIDUAL ELEMENT ANY DESIRED AMOUNT IN AMPLITUDE ****/

kick_elements() {
    int ans,check;
    double amount;
    _setvideomode(_DEFAULTMODE);
    check=0;
    printf("\nEnter number of element to kick: ");
    scanf("%d",&ans);
    if((ans<0)|| (ans>(no_pendulums-1))) {
        check=1;
    }
    if(check==0) {
        printf("\n    Enter amount to kick: ");
        scanf("%lf",&amount);
        coordinate[ans]=coordinate[ans]+amount;
    } /* if */
    if(phase_flag==0)
        _setvideomode(_MRES4COLOR);
    else
        _setvideomode(_VRES16COLOR);
}

stability_restart() {
    int i;
    disp_color=2;
    stable_flag=0;
    DOFOR(i,20) peak_record[i]=0;
    peak_record[15]=10;
}

/**** INITIALIZE THE PHASE PLANE PLOTTING SYSTEM.  THIS ROUTINE ONTAINS THE
        USER CHOICES FOR ELEMENTS TO MONITOR AND DRAWS THE AXES OF THE PLOT. ****/

init_phasplot() {
    int c,i,j,k,l;
    char ans[5],message[40],txt[3];
    float dummy;

    spectrum_flag=0;
    _setvideomode(_DEFAULTMODE);
    DOFOR(i,5) phase_elements[i]=0;
    printf("\nDo you want Poincare sections? ");
    if((c=getch())==121) phase_flag=2;
    else phase_flag=1;
    printf("\nWhich elements do you wish to monitor (999 to finish): ");
    i=-1;
    k=0;

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while((i++!=999)&&(k<5)) {
    scanf("%d",&i);
    phase_elements[k++]=i+1;
} /* while */
DOFOR(i,5) {
    if(phase_elements[i]==1000) {
        phase_elements[i]=0;
    }
}
_setvideomode(_VRES16COLOR);
_clearscreen(_GCLEARSCREEN);
graphics_flag=0;
_settextcolor(7);
colors[0]=2;
colors[1]=3;
colors[2]=9;
colors[3]=14;
colors[4]=13;
DOFOR(i,120) {
    _setpixel(318,4*i);
}
DOFOR(i,160) {
    _setpixel(4*i,238);
}
DOFOR(i,6) {
    _setpixel(319,10*SCREEN_CORRECTION_FACTOR+1
        +(80/SCREEN_CORRECTION_FACTOR)*(i+1));
}
DOFOR(i,8) {
    _setpixel(80*(i+1),239);
}
_moveto(480,450);
DOFOR(i,5) {
    if((phase_elements[i])!=0) {
        c=phase_elements[i]-1;
/*      itoa(c,tst,10);
        _outtext(tst); */
        printf("%d ",c);
        _setcolor(colors[i]);
        DOFOR(j,4) {
            DOFOR(k,8) {
                _setpixel(550+10*i+k,10+j);
            }
        }
    }
} /* DOFOR */
printf("    LAT2X486.C");
printf("\nGamma:  %lf Eta:  %lf Beta:  %lf",mean_gamma,eta,beta);
printf("\nOmega:  %lf Alpha:  %lf Time interval:  %lf",
    omega,alpha,time_int);
dummy=1/(time_int*omega);
phase_int=dummy/1;
phase_counter=0;
}

/**** PHASE PLANE PLOTTING ROUTINE ****/

phasplot() {
    int i,j,k,l;
    double speed, position,fast_coordinate,fast_momentum;

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if(phase_flag==1) {
    DOFOR(i,5) {
        if((j=phase_elements[i]-1)!--1) {
            speed=PHASE_INCREMENT*momentum[j];
            _setcolor(colors[i]);
            position=PHASE_INCREMENT*coordinate[j];
            fast_coordinate=(position*cos(omega*model_time)
                -speed*sin(omega*model_time)/omega)
                /(3*SCREEN_CORRECTION_FACTOR);
            fast_momentum=(position*sin(omega*model_time)
                +speed*cos(omega*model_time)/omega)/4;
            _setpixel((320+320*fast_coordinate),(240+240*fast_momentum));
        } /* if(()) */
    } /* DOFOR */
} /* if */
else if(phase_flag==2) {
    if(phase_counter==phase_int) {
        phase_counter=0;
        DOFOR(i,5) {
            if((j=phase_elements[i]-1)!--1) {
                speed=PHASE_INCREMENT*momentum[j];
                _setcolor(colors[i]);
                position=PHASE_INCREMENT*coordinate[j];
                fast_coordinate=(position*cos(omega*model_time)
                    -speed*sin(omega*model_time)/omega);
                fast_momentum=(position*sin(omega*model_time)
                    +speed*cos(omega*model_time)/omega)/4;
                _setpixel((320+320*fast_coordinate),(240+240*fast_momentum));
            } /* if(()) */
        } /* DOFOR */
    } /* if */
} /* else if() */
} /* phasplot */

/* FFT ROUTINE */

compute_spectrum() { /* Uses algorithm from p. 411 of Numerical Recipes in C */
    int n, mmax, m, j, istep, i, nn, temp;
    double wtemp, wr, wpr, wpi, wi, theta, tempr, tempi;
    nn=2048;
    n=nn<<1;
    j=1;
    DOFOR(i,2048) {
        nn=(i&1024)/1024;
        nn=nn+(i&512)/256;
        nn=nn+(i&256)/64;
        nn=nn+(i&128)/16;
        nn=nn+(i&64)/4;
        nn=nn+(i&32);
        nn=nn+(i&16)*4;
        nn=nn+(i&8)*16;
        nn=nn+(i&4)*64;
        nn=nn+(i&2)*256;
        nn=nn+(i&1)*1024;
        temp2[2*nn]=spectrum[2*i];
        temp2[2*nn+1]=spectrum[2*i+1];
    }
    DOFOR(i,4096) spectrum[i]=temp2[i];
    mmax=2;
    while(n>mmax) {

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        istep=2*mmax;
        theta=2*PI/mmax;
        wtemp=sin(0.5*theta);
        wpr=-2.0*wtemp*wtemp;
        wpi=sin(theta);
        wr=1.0;
        wi=0.0;
        for(m=0;m<(mmax-1);m+=2) {
            for(i=m;i<=n;i+=istep) {
                j=i+mmax;
                tempr=wr*spectrum[j]-wi*spectrum[j+1];
                tempi=wr*spectrum[j+1]+wi*spectrum[j];
                spectrum[j]=spectrum[i]-tempr;
                spectrum[j+1]=spectrum[i+1]-tempi;
                spectrum[i]+=tempr;
                spectrum[i+1]+=tempi;
            }
            wr=(wtemp*wr)*wpr-wi*wpi+wr;
            wi=wi*wpr+wtemp*wpi+wi;
        }
        mmax=istep;
    }
}

/**** SPECTRUM PLOTTING ROUTINE *****/
plot_spectrum() {
    int i,j;
    double freq,magnitude,max;
    int c;
    FILE *fp;
    if(dump_spectrum_flag==1) {
        printf("\nDumping spectrum now");
        fp=fopen("spectrum.out","w");
        for(i=1;i<2048;i++) {
            if(time_int!=0) freq=i/(2048*time_int);
            else printf("Time_int was zero!");
            magnitude=sqrt(spectrum[(2*i)]*spectrum[(2*i)]
                +spectrum[(2*i+1)]*spectrum[(2*i+1)]);
            fprintf(fp,"%lf %lf \n",freq,magnitude);
        }
        fclose(fp);
        dump_spectrum_flag=0;
    }
    _clearscreen(_GCLEARSCREEN);
    max=0;
    for(i=1;i<2049;i++) { /* this loop calculates the max spectral component*/
        magnitude=sqrt(spectrum[(2*(i))]*spectrum[(2*(i))]
            +spectrum[(2*(i)+1)]*spectrum[(2*(i)+1)]);
        if(magnitude>max) max=magnitude;
    }
    _setcolor(3);
    DOFOR(i,640) _setpixel(i,460);
    DOFOR(i,11) _setpixel(51*i,461),_setpixel(51*i,462);
    printf("Spectrum for element %d LATTIC2X.C",spectrum_element);
    printf("\nAlpha: %lf Beta: %lf Gamma: %lf Eta: %lf Omega: %lf",
        alpha,beta,mean_gamma,eta,omega);
    printf("\nMax amp = %lf",max);
    freq=512/(2048*time_int);
    printf("Max freq shown: %lf Time interval: %lf",freq,time_int);
}

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    _setcolor(1);
    DOFOR(i,512) {
        j=0;
        magnitude=sqrt(spectrum[2*i]*spectrum[2*i]
            +spectrum[2*i+1]*spectrum[2*i+1]);
        mag=magnitude*400/max;
        while(j++<mag) {
            _setpixel(i,460-j);
        } /* while */
    } /* DOFOR */
}

/**** INITIALIZES WATERFALL DISPLAY MODE, DRAWING GRID ****/

init_waterfall() {
    int c,i,j,k,l,m;
    char ans[5];
    _setvideomode(_VRES16COLOR);
    _setcolor(1);
    DOFOR(i,600) _setpixel(20+i,20);
    DOFOR(i,450) _setpixel(20,i+20);
    DOFOR(i,61) {
        if((i==10)|(i==20)|(i==32)|(i==42)|(i==52)) _setcolor(2);
        DOFOR(j,113) {
            _setpixel(20+10*i,20+4*j);
        }
        _setcolor(1);
    }
    _setcolor(2);
    DOFOR(i,11) {
        DOFOR(j,160) {
            _setpixel(20+4*j,16+40*(i+1));
        }
    }
    waterfall_counter=0;
    color_counter=2;
}

/**** WATERFALL DISPLAY ROUTINE ****/

disp_waterfall() {
    int c,i,j,k,l;
    if(waterfall_counter++<110) {
        if(color_counter++==14) {
            color_counter=2;
            _setcolor(color_counter);
        }
        else {
            _setcolor(color_counter);
        }
        DOFOR(i,no_pendulums) {
            if(waterfall_counter<55) {
                _setpixel(20+2*i,24+8*waterfall_counter-7*wat_inc*(coordinate[i]));
            }
            else {
                _setpixel(340+2*i,24+8*(waterfall_counter-55)-7*wat_inc*(coordinate[i]));
            }
        }
    }
    else {

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